

Netherlands Forces Land On Sumatra

BATAVIA, Java, Dec. 21. (AP)—New Dutch forces landed on Sumatra today and the Dutch pressed their advantage in Java. The Indonesian people broadcast an appeal to its people to carry out scorched earth tactics "to the utmost."

Dutch Efforts May Boost Communism

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21. (AP)—American officials fear efforts to curb Communism in Southeast Asia may have been dealt a body blow by the Dutch "police action" in Indonesia.

ECA Suspends Reconstruction In China Areas

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21. (AP)—Paul G. Hoffman said today the Economic Co-operation Administration had suspended all reconstruction projects in China. It had allotted \$70 million for that purpose.

The ECA administrator told reporters about the suspension after talking with President Truman at the White House. Hoffman returned only yesterday from a flying inspection trip of ECA work around the world. He visited China on the trip.

Hoffman said the decision to hold up the reconstruction spending in China until the situation clears in that strife-torn country was made during his recent visit to Shanghai.

ECA has decided even to stop engineering planning except in isolated cases, Hoffman said. The so-called reconstruction projects were part of ECA's economic aid to China. They embrace such things as rebuilding of war-shattered transportation systems and docks.

Congress voted \$275 million for all kinds of economic aid to China plus \$125 million of military aid. Hoffman said the only cases where engineering planning will go ahead are a few isolated ones in which no money would be saved by stopping them.

He said the engineering planning involves only about \$11 million of the \$70 million total. Hoffman also told reporters that he has been clearing and would continue to clear with the President all important policy-making jobs in the ECA.

Eire's Freedom Struggle Comes To Peaceful End

DUBLIN, Dec. 21. (AP)—Eire became a free and independent republic today. Ireland's centuries-long and often bloody struggle for freedom came to a peaceful end as President Sean T. O'Kelly signed Eire out of the British Commonwealth.

Former State Dept. Official Falls To Death

Was On List As Suspected Spy 'Feeder'

NEW YORK, Dec. 21. (AP)—A former State Department official, listed in congressional testimony as one of six persons in the department who allegedly handed out secrets for Red spies, died last night in a 16-story plunge.

Laurence Duggan, 43, an expert on Latin-American affairs who served in the State Department from 1930 to 1944, dropped to death from a window of his Manhattan office as espionage probes planned to question him.

The medical examiner's office said the circumstances of his death were "undetermined pending further investigation." Police said Duggan "either jumped or fell"—the usual preliminary report pending inquiry.

Rep. Mundt (R-SD), acting chairman of the House Committee on Un-American Activities, revealed in Washington that a witness had named Duggan in secret testimony as one of six people in the State Department who another person had said passed out confidential information.

Duggan died the night before Francis B. Sayre, former assistant secretary of state, appeared before a special spy-hunting federal grand jury.

Secret State Department papers allegedly were fished from Sayre's office, according to testimony in another phase of the inquiry.

At the time of his death, Duggan was president of the Institute of International Education, the Institute, devoted to promoting international understanding and the exchange of students among various nations, was founded with aid from the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace.

The president of the Carnegie Foundation, Alger Hiss—also a former State Department official, was indicted on perjury charges recently on the ground that he lied when he denied before a federal grand jury that he passed out government secrets to ex-Communist Courier Whitaker Chambers.

Mundt said Duggan, who was an adviser to former Secretary of State Cordell Hull, was named by Isaac Don Levine, editor of the anti-Communist Magazine Plain Talk in testimony on Dec. 8.

Mundt Seeking Fair Hearings

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21. (AP)—Rep. Mundt (R-SD) said today he hopes the House un-American Activities Committee will change its methods to insure fairer hearings for future witnesses and accused persons.

The acting chairman told reporters that for the next 10 days committee members will concentrate on a report to the new Congress on its past accomplishments. He said the report also will contain recommendations for altering procedure at committee hearings.

Although the group plans no further public meetings this year, it scheduled a closed-door session tomorrow with Francis B. Sayre, former assistant secretary of state, and his secretary, Anna Belle Newcomb.

Sayre, now a U. S. delegate to the United Nations, formerly headed the State Department office where Alger Hiss once worked. Hiss now is awaiting a federal court trial on charges that he lied when he denied handing out secret official papers to Whitaker Chambers, one time Red spy ring courier, some 10 years ago.

The witness question has been a

Three-Power Berlin Regime Is Announced

West Leaves Door Open To Soviets

BERLIN, Dec. 21. (AP)—The United States, Britain and France announced today a three power government for Berlin without Russian participation.

The French commandant, General Jean Ganeval, read a three-power statement saying:

"If Soviet authorities either now or at some future date, decide to abide by the agreement to which the four powers are committed, the quadripartite administration of Berlin can be resumed."

"During their abstinence the three Western allies will exercise the powers of the allied Kommandatura although realizing that owing to the Soviet obstruction it will only be possible for them to carry out their administration in the Western sectors for the present."

The Western commandants recalled that the Russians disrupted four power government by withdrawing from the Kommandatura last July 1. They said the Kommandatura "can only be altered or abetted by agreement of all the governments which set it up."

Since the Russians set up a puppet government in eastern Berlin and refused to co-operate in the four-power government, it has long been expected the West would set up its own military government structure.

At present the United States, Britain and France each govern a sector independently, issuing independent orders to the German administration.

Russian troops blockaded the road between Berlin and Stolpe, a little German farming village which France has promised to return to the control of the Russians.

The commandants claimed that the Russian withdrawal has not killed their governing body. They said its work had merely "been in suspense since July first owing to the refusal of the Soviet authorities to attend its meetings."

The commandants noted that Berlin's temporary constitution, which received quadripartite approval in 1946, requires that city legislation and other affairs shall obtain allied consent. They charged the long Russian walkout had "obstructed the proper administration of Berlin according to the law."

The revived Kommandatura met at its old headquarters in the American sector.

Quentin Roosevelt Is Believed Dead In China Crash

HONG KONG, Dec. 21. (AP)—A Chinese National Airlines plane crashed and burned today 10 miles from Hong Kong and all 33 persons aboard were believed killed.

E. M. Allison of Wichita, Kan., C.N.A. operations manager, said rescue boats and sea rescue units removed 31 bodies out of the total of 33 which included the crew. The pilot and captain was Charles Sunby, a naturalized American of Danish descent.

SHANGHAI, Dec. 21. (AP)—Local aviation sources said that Quentin Roosevelt was on a Chinese air liner which crashed and burned near Hong Kong today with the possible loss of all 33 persons aboard.

DEATHLESS DAYS In Big Spring Traffic 377



HOPKINS BOUND—For the majority of some 80 child patients who are fighting for their lives at two of Johns Hopkins Hospital clinics, good old St. Nick will play a command performance Christmas Eve in Baltimore, Maryland. Little Linda Wunderlick, 3, who is not a patient "inspects" some of the many toys bound for Hopkins. "Blue babies" and other cardiac cases are on Santa's special list to receive the most considerate personal attention. (AP Wirephoto).

Clark Begins Federal Suit To Obtain Texas Tideland

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21. (AP)—Attorney General Clark today brought actions in the Supreme Court to obtain federal jurisdiction over the oil-rich tidelands off the coasts of Texas and Louisiana.

Clark asked the court to apply to these coastal lands the same finding of federal "paramount" interest which the court gave to the United states in the California tidelands case, decided in June, 1947.

The petitions to the Supreme Court took two forms. The attorney general first asked the court for permission to bring the suits against Texas and Louisiana as original actions in the highest court. These requests were accompanied by copies of the proposed suits in which the attorney general requested a declaration of primary federal rights over the "lands, minerals and other things underlying the Gulf of Mexico adjacent to the coasts, seaward of low water mark."

The actions, as in the California case, proposed to exempt bays, rivers, lagoons and other inland waters from any federal claim. The suits carry out the announced intention of the Justice Department to establish federal jurisdiction over the so-called tidelands where oil is produced from underwater wells.

Millions of dollars are involved in the claims. If the federal government successfully maintained its claims, at least part of royalties from oil production would go to it rather than to the state governments. The issue has been a hot one for many years.

Congress in 1946 passed a bill declaring the underwater coastal lands to be the property of the individual states. President Truman vetoed the bill however, because of the then-pending California case.

The National Assn. of State Attorneys General subsequently sponsored a similar new bill in the present Congress. It was passed by the House, but died on the Senate calendar.

Don't look now, but this is supposed to be the shortest day of the year. Down to a fine point of mathematics, astrologically speaking, that may be correct, but so far as standard weather bureau charts show, 10 days could qualify for that honor.

Beginning with Dec. 17 and continuing through Dec. 26 days show 10 hours and three minutes of sunlight. On Dec. 26 the sun will be rising four minutes later than on Dec. 17, but the sun also will be setting four minutes later.

Down to an ultra fine point, however, the 21st probably will qualify by a gnat's hair as the

VANDALS CAN'T STOP PROGRAM

PORT ARTHUR, Dec. 21. (AP)—Port Arthur's "Christmas tree of light" didn't light up last night as scheduled.

Vandals stole all of the bulbs. A large crowd had gathered for the traditional ceremony of illuminating the tree when the theft was discovered. Nevertheless, the women's clubs and church choirs went ahead with the program—The Dark.

Postal Receipts Up Over 1947

Local postal receipts through Monday are already \$10,000 in excess of what they were all of 1947. Postmaster Nat Shick announced this morning.

The total for the first 20 days of December amounted to \$12,229.39, bringing the aggregate for all of 1948 to \$125,098.08, which represents a gain of \$10,299.47 over all of last year.

The December receipts represent a pickup of \$1,761.28 over the like period last year.

Postal employees experienced their busiest day Monday when the incoming and outgoing mail reached a seasonal high. A total of 44,001 outgoing letters were cancelled.

Lovesick Yank Is Recaptured

BERLIN, Dec. 21. (AP)—Edward J. Lada, 28, former paratrooper who broke through the Russian blockade to see his girl and then escaped a U. S. Army stockade, was captured late today by American agents.

Lada scaled the stockade fence Saturday night rather than wait trial on a charge of illegal entry brought against him when he was caught in Berlin.

Col. Thomas F. Lencer, provost marshal of Berlin, announced the capture. He said Lada was found in an apartment of a girl on Berliner St. in the American community of Zehlendorf.

Ex-Baptist Official Succumbs At Waco

DALLAS, Dec. 21. (AP)—Dr. Thomas J. Watts, 74, former executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Convention's relief and annuity board here for 22 years, died at his home in Waco late last night.

Unauthorized Phone Walkout A Possibility

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 21. (AP)—Wage negotiations between the Southwestern Bell Telephone Co. and a union of 50,000 employees in five states failed to break a deadlock last night and unauthorized walkouts today in some areas were a distinct possibility.

Frank P. Longergan, vice-president of division 29 of the Communications Workers of America, said tension is growing in points in southern Oklahoma and Texas and some members may leave their jobs without union authority.

There were no pickets outside the telephone company's main office building here as workers came on this morning.

A meeting with Federal Conciliator A. E. Johnson ended about midnight with no change in the tense situation. Johnson said another session will be held late today.

The union has been authorized to call a strike if necessary to enforce its wage demands, and Longergan several days ago announced that a walkout may be expected before Christmas if the union and the company cannot work out a compromise.

A strike would affect long distance calls in the states of Missouri, Kansas, Arkansas, Texas and Oklahoma, and local calls in all communities not equipped with dial service.

Court Fines Texas Dairies

AUSTIN, Dec. 21. (AP)—Judge Charles O. Betts granted a permanent injunction against price-fixing agreements between milk companies in El Paso, Fort Worth and Dallas and assessed penalties totaling \$75,000.

The judgment was rendered against Hawkins Dairy, Price's Creameries and the Borden Co. in El Paso, and eight companies including Borden's in Fort Worth and Dallas. A separate judgment awarded the Borden Co. was rendered for allegedly fixing the retail price of their ice cream in Texas.

The companies in Fort Worth and Dallas besides Borden's are Boswell Dairies, Alta Vista Creamery Co., Vandervoort's Inc., Tennessee Dairies, Inc., Metzger's Dairies, Cabell's Inc. and Oak Farms, Inc. Jim Shepherd of Houston, representing Borden's and the other defendants, said the defendants did not admit they were guilty but in view of the penalties assessed and the possibility that costs of an appeal might exceed penalties they declined to further contest the suits.

They also waived the right of appeal and agreed to pay the penalties.

31 Feared Dead

HONG KONG, Dec. 21. (AP)—A Shanghai-Hong Kong C-54 skymaster of the Chinese National Airlines Corp. crashed and burned off Hong Kong today and the 31 persons aboard were feared dead, the CNAC announced here.

Actually Ten Days Qualify

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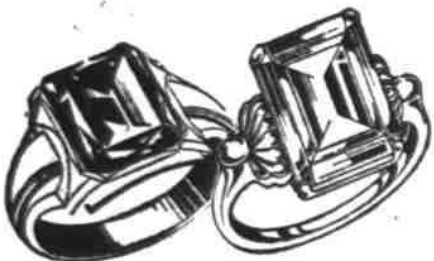
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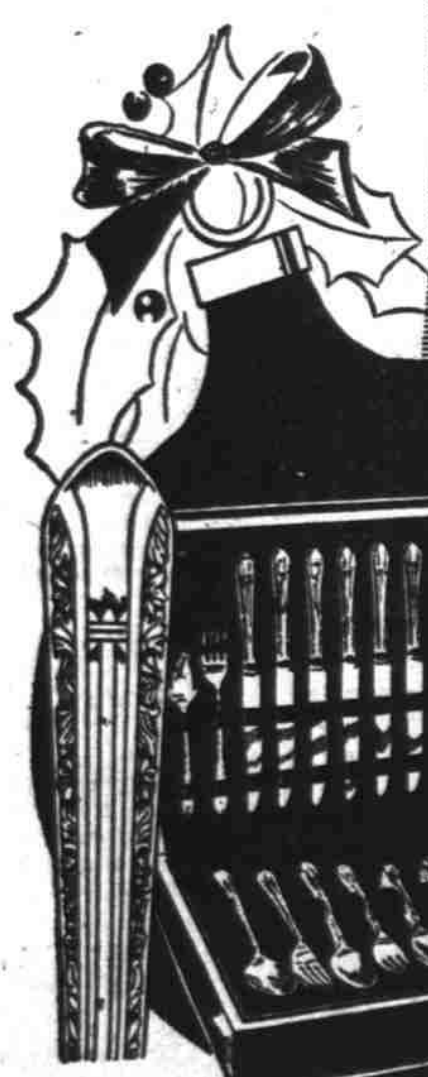
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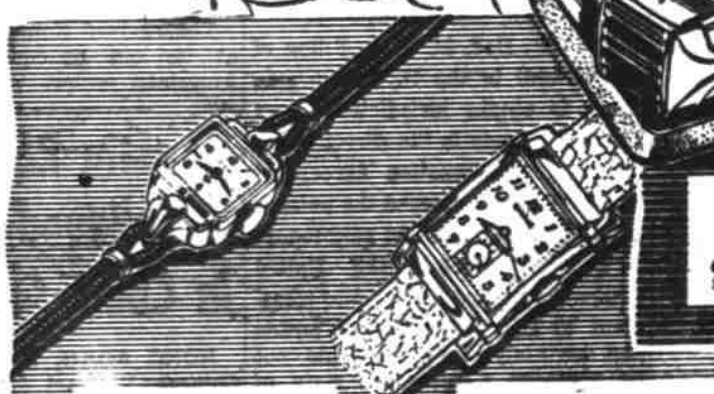
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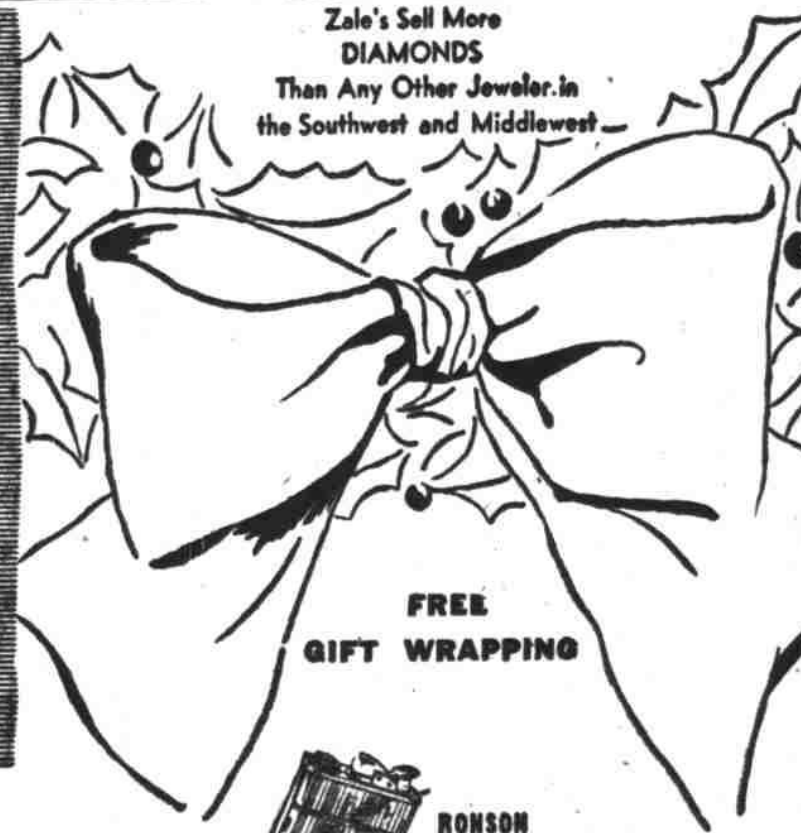
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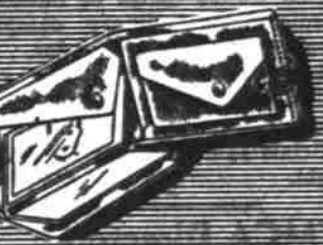
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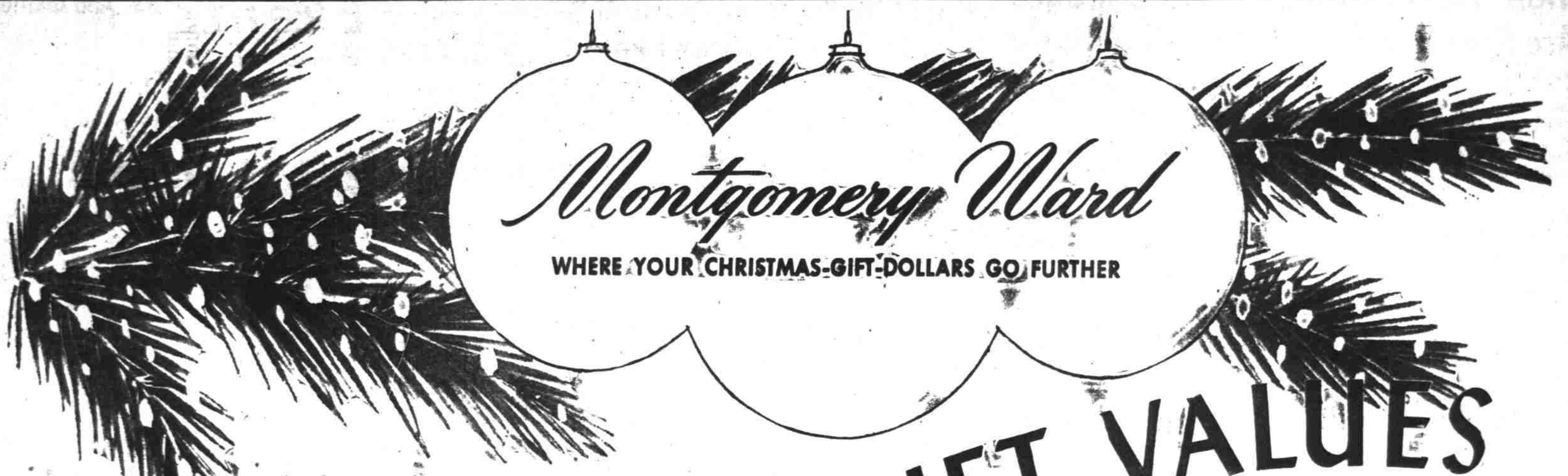
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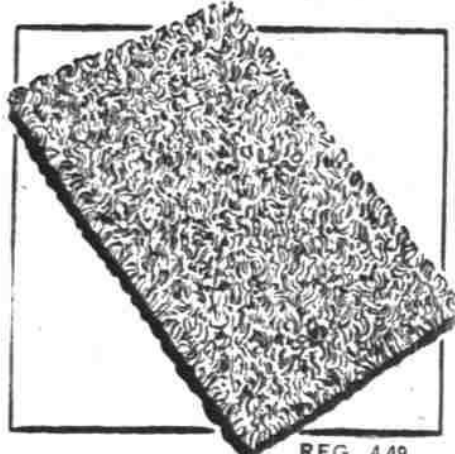
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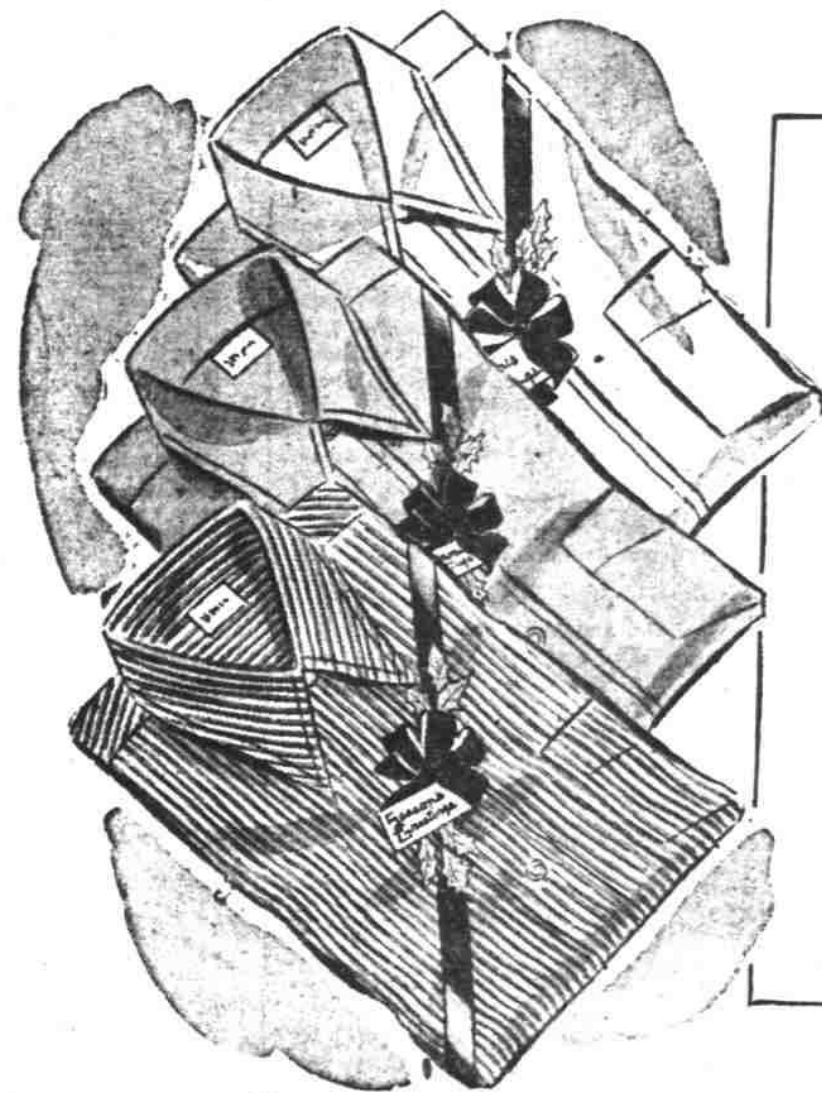
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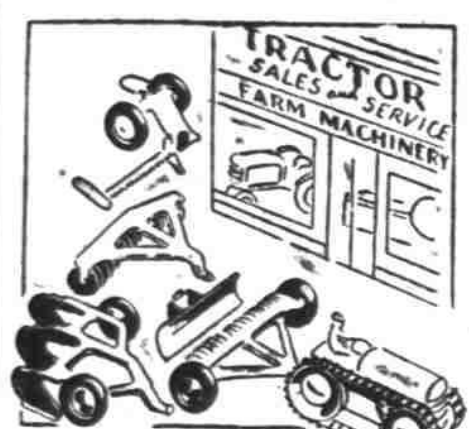


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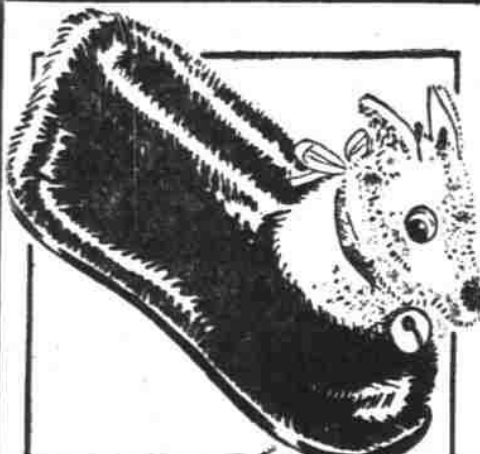
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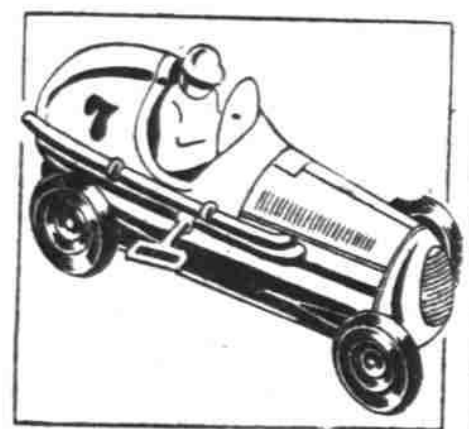
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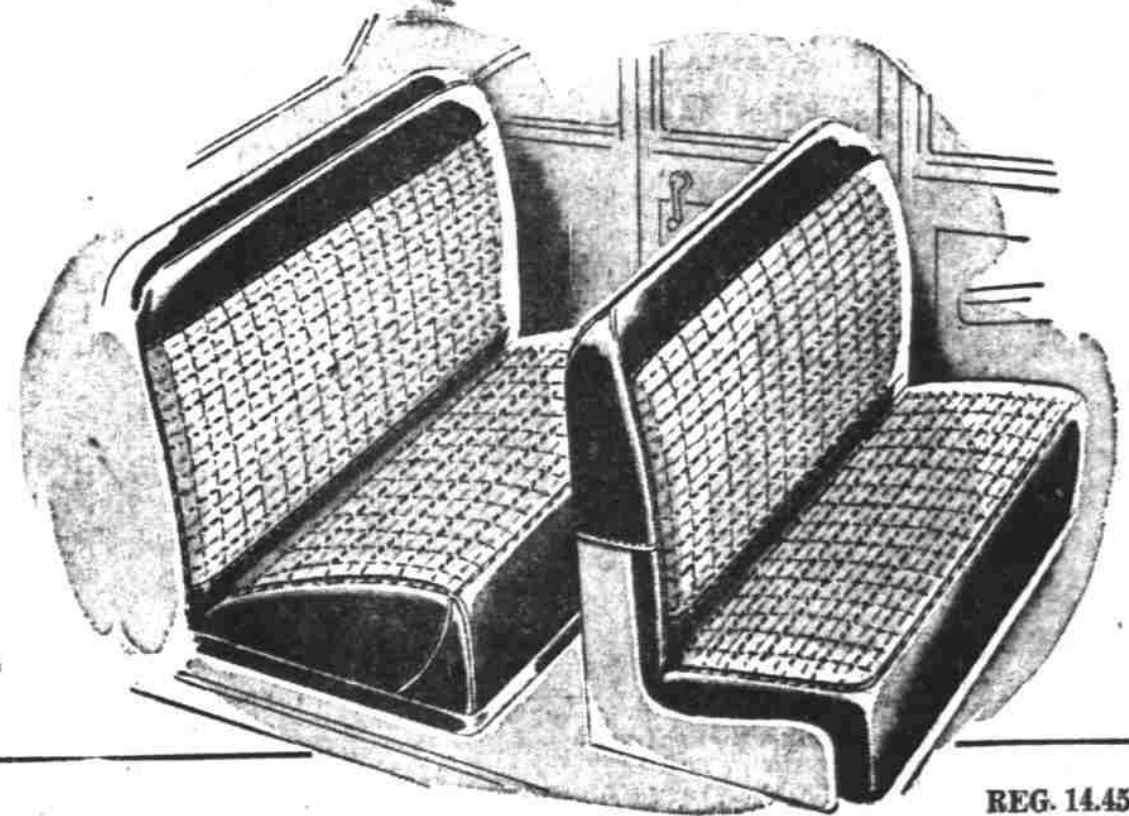
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Pledges took the spotlight Monday night when the High Heel Slipper Club held their formal presentation and dance in the Settles Hotel ballroom. Wilbur Wright and his orchestra from San Angelo, furnished the musical setting for the affair.

Entering the ballroom through a large holly wreath the pledges were introduced by their escorts. Large bouquets of mums tied with long green streamers were carried by the pledges.

Pledges and their escorts included: Mona Moad and Ernest Potter; Mary Felis and Richard Deats, Gayla Mosier and Joe Dick Merick; Mary Jane Collins and Ray Adams; Ruby Jo Bledsoe and Don Chauncey; Beverly Jones and Dallas Woods; Betty Jo Raley and Bobby Bradford; Florine Cass and Jimmy Jenkins; Peggy Carter and Robert Reed; Lou Ann Hall and Jimmy Meador.

Members and their escorts were: Janelle Beene and Richard Patton, Mary Gerald Robbins and Jerry

Houser; Curtisteen McCauley and Sam Thurman; Judith Beene and Bill Wozniak; Ellen McLaughlin and Bob Carlisle; Rebecca Rogers and Bill Montgomery; Susan Houser and George Clark; Sue Nell Nall and Mickey Casey; Nancy Whitney and Bob Tom Coffey; Billie Jean O'Neal and Charles Rainwater; Rita Wright and Kelly Lawrence; Nancy Lovelace and Ralph Brooks.

Calendar At Stanton Pressed With Christmas Affairs; Legion To Meet

STANTON, Dec. 21—Christmas parties continue to dominate the social scene here.

Girl Scouts had a Christmas banquet at the American Legion hut Friday evening. Chicken and dressing with all the trimmings were served to 27 members and 18 guests. Mrs. Dwayne Ory, Mrs. Colleen Mott, Mrs. Clark Hamilton, Mr. and Mrs. Morris Zommerman, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Turner and the leaders, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Arrington, and Mrs. Hoyt Gilbreath, and mothers of the girls assisted in serving. Games were played during the evening.

Cubs had their Christmas party in the home of Mrs. H. S. Blocker, the sponsor, assisted by Mrs. Edmond Tom, Friday evening. They learned to build things on their back lawn and to cook their supper in the out-of-doors. Those present were John Haden Sneed, Corky Blocker, Rufus Tom, Billy Charles Burns, J. Wayne and Gale Robinson, Raymond Irvin, Don Larid,

Fred Hallers Honor Visitors From Houston

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Haller entertained with a buffet supper in their home, 1210 Main, honoring Mr. and Mrs. Paul Drouet of Houston, who are spending the holidays in Big Spring.

Christmas decorations were used throughout the home. Bridge was the entertainment.

Those attending were: Mr. and Mrs. Paul Drouet, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Caywood, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Dillon, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Jennings, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Griffin, Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Hughes and the host and hostess.

Eager Beavers Have Christmas Social Meeting

Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Johnson was host and hostess when the Eager Beavers had a Christmas party in their home. A Christmas tree completed room decorations. Games were played.

Refreshments were served to the following: Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Burnett, Marlene and Shirley; Mr. and Mrs. Harve Bruton, Mr. and Mrs. Elgin Jones and Martha Ann; Mr. and Mrs. Denver Yates, Hollis, Avaneil, Mary Beth and Jean; Mr. and Mrs. Ben Jernigan, Mary Louise and Patsy Ruth; Mr. and Mrs. Joe Mitchell and David; Mr. and Mrs. Royce Johnson, James, Bobby, Beverly and Jesse; Mr. and Mrs. Neal Bryant, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Stivey, Mr. and Mrs. Don Burnam, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Proctor and Mrs. Lindsey Clayton and Barry.

Lutheran Ladies Have Social Meet

St. Paul's Lutheran Ladies Aid met in the home of Mrs. R. A. Pachall, 1801 Johnson, for a monthly social Sunday. Games were played and gifts exchanged by the members.

Refreshments were served to the following: Mrs. F. G. L. Snow, Mrs. Adolph H. Hoyer, Mrs. Joe Radnauf, and children, Mrs. Henry Schler, and daughter, Mrs. Harold Wakehouse, and son, Mrs. W. F. Pachall, Mrs. John Foster, Mrs. Elbert Hohertz, Mrs. Kurt Kowarske, Mrs. Robert Fallon, and daughter, Mrs. M. W. Rupp and the hostess.

Cohomans Have Christmas Social

COAHOMA, Dec. 21—Members of the junior department of the First Baptist church held its Christmas party during the weekend.

Mrs. Mark Reeves was in charge of the program and games, which were followed by an exchange of gifts.

Attending were Ricky Phinney, Martha Hopkins, Mark Reeves, Jane and Jaynette Graham, Douglas and Barbara Warren, Joan McCow, Ethel and Madge Thieme, Jack and Jimmy Birkholder, Jack Williams, Martha Camp, Mrs. M. Hopkins, Mrs. Ralph White, Mrs. Clovis Phinney, Mrs. Tom Birkhead and Mrs. Reeves.

Rev. and Mrs. Eppler Observe Open House

COAHOMA, Dec. 21—Approximately 50 guests called on Sunday afternoon when the Rev. and Mrs. J. Paul Eppler held open house at the Methodist parsonage.

Mrs. Melvin Tindol, president of the WSCS, and Mrs. C. R. Graves presided at the refreshment table together with Sue Harryette and Jeanice Eppler.

Piano Recital Is Slated At Coahoma

COAHOMA, Dec. 21—The pupils of Mrs. Ed Robertson will be presented in a Christmas piano recital Tuesday at 7:30 p. m. in the Coahoma auditorium.

There will be a series of compositions and arrangements by John Thompson, including "Mountain Climbing," played by Vonna Mae Springfield; "Air from Haydn's Surprise Symphony," Mary J. Turner; "Fairie's Harp," Biddle Dadds; "Good King Wenceslas," Mary Lane Edwards; "Chord Frolic," Sue Garrett; "Falling Leaves," Ronnie Acuff; "Swanson Lake," Jacqueline Roberts; "Runaway Lake," Arlon DeVaney; "Riding on a Mule," Alice Lay; "Hopping Hones," Louise Williams; "My Bonnie," Nell McCutcheon; "Scissors Grinder," Laverne Kennedy; "Chimes," Margaret Pierce; "Christmas Bells," Sue Turner; "Serenade," Daria Woodson; "Tarantella," Elizabeth Turner.

Others include "Schubert's Waltz," Kay Acuff; "Evening Prayer," played by Sue Harryette Eppler; Chopin's "Prelude in C Minor," Rosemary Acuff; "Scotch Poem," Doris Rae Morrison; "Romance," Jane Echols; Tschakovsky's "Concerto in B Flat Minor," Bonnie Smart; "Witches' Dance," Beverly Meador; "In the Hall of the Mountain King," Janice Eppler and Elizabeth Turner; "Crisis Cross," Wanda Brannon.

Settles And Crawford Distribute Bonuses

Seventy-five employees of the Settles and Crawford hotels were given Christmas bonuses today amounting to \$4,000.

The divisions were made on a percentage of the year's income and distributed to all employees who have been with the hotels six months or more.

Christmas Amnesty Frees 39 Japanese

TOKYO, Dec. 21.—A Christmas amnesty has freed 39 Japanese prisoners serving army provost court sentences.

Maj. Gen. William C. Chase, commanding the U. S. First Cavalry Division, ordered their release. Original sentences ranged from four months to five years.

Deliveryman Killed

DALLAS, Dec. 21.—Leo Bailey, 28, motorcycle deliveryman for a motor company, was killed yesterday when his vehicle crashed into the railing of a bridge in East Oak Cliff.

Dr. O'Brien Is Guest Speaker At Christmas Party

Dr. P. D. O'Brien served as guest speaker at the annual Christmas party honoring the employees of Mead's Bakery Saturday evening.

Entertainment included a silhouette act, a colored trio and Santa Claus, who presented the gifts to the employees.

W. L. Mead offered the opening prayer.

The Christmas tree and other Yuletide decorations were used throughout the party rooms. Refreshments were served to those attending.

Wedding Announced

SAN ANGELO, Dec. 21 (Sp)—Mrs. R. E. Carroll and W. A. Carlisle were united in marriage by the Rev. Johnson of San Angelo Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. Carroll has resided in Big Spring and Carlisle is the father of Mrs. W. B. Stark of Big Spring.

The couple will be at home at 11 East 25th St. in San Angelo.

Army's basketball team has scheduled four road contests during the 1948-49 season, against Swarthmore, Pennsylvania, Princeton and Navy.

To Have Program

Members of the Wesley Methodist Children's Division will meet for a practice session Wednesday at 3:30 p. m. and will present their Christmas program Thursday at 7:30 p. m.

The program will be open to the public and those attending are asked to bring food for a needy family.

Gas Company Has Christmas Dinner

Employees of the Empire Gas Company were presented with Christmas bonuses by C. H. Rainwater at the annual Christmas dinner and party in El Patio Monday evening.

J. P. Kenney of Fort Worth, who is vice-president and assistant general manager of the company, served as guest of honor at the dinner.

Christmas decorations were used throughout the party rooms. Approximately 40 employees attended the affair.

Never Wait Till a Cold Gets Worse

Citation, called by many of the greatest race horse of all time, will enjoy the luxuries this winter at Hialeah with a day and night watchman, a screened cage in front of his stall, and the choice of the hay which Calumet Stable buys for his horses.

Events OF THE COMING WEEK

TUESDAY
FIRST METHODIST JUNIOR DEPARTMENT will meet at the church at 8:30 p. m. for caroling and a party.

FIRST METHODIST SENIOR DEPARTMENT will meet at the church at 7:30 p. m. for caroling.

WESLEY METHODIST WPCS will have a Christmas social in the home of Mrs. Tommy Lovelace, 1808 Runnels, at 3 p. m.

NORTHSIDE BAPTIST WPS will meet at the church at 7 p. m. for a mission study taught by Mrs. Jewell Webb.

AIRPORT BAPTIST WPS will meet at the church at 7:30 p. m.

BIG SPRING REBEKAH LODGE will meet in the COOP Hall at 7:30 p. m.

ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR will have a regular stated meeting and annual Christmas party in the Settles Hotel at 7:30 p. m. There will be an exchange of gifts. Mrs. Gladys Dalmon and Mrs. Edna Hall will be in charge of the program.

MODERN WOMAN'S FORUM will have a guest tea in the home of Mrs. Bernard Lamun, 509 Runnels, at 3 p. m.

MODERN BRIDGE CLUB will meet at 7:30 p. m. in the home of Mrs. R. W. Hallbrook, 1111 Wood.

WEDNESDAY
FIRST METHODIST YOUNG PEOPLE will meet for a caroling party at 7:30 p. m.

THE SUB-REVUE OF 1948 will be held in the Settles Hotel Ballroom at 8:30 p. m.

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH CHORUS will meet at the church at 7:30 p. m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH CHORUS will meet at the church at 8:30 p. m.

SALVATION ARMY'S LADIES HOME LEAGUE will meet at the Citadel at 2 p. m.

BIG SPRING GARDEN CLUB will have a Christmas tea in the home of Mrs. Gordon Bratton, 554 Hillside Drive, at 2:30 p. m. Mrs. B. T. Pizer will serve as co-hostess.

TUESDAY
ROYAL NEIGHBORS will meet at the WOW Hall at 2:30 p. m.

Sew And Chatter Members Have Party On Monday

Mrs. Jack Lightfoot entertained the members of the Sew and Chatter club at a Christmas party in her home Monday evening.

Christmas decorations were used throughout the party rooms. The lighted tree served as the focal point in the decorative theme which depicted a terraced snow scene. The bottom tier was placed on a mirror reflector surrounded by miniature animals of the forest.

Gifts were exchanged and refreshments were served.

Those attending were Mrs. R. F. Bluhm, Mrs. Lucy Campbell, Mrs. C. M. Weaver, Mrs. Louis Murdock, Mrs. Garner McAdams, Mrs. M. A. Cook, Mr. Herbert Johnson, Mrs. H. V. Crocker, Mrs. A. C. Moore, Mrs. G. L. James, Mrs. Ches Anderson and one guest, Mrs. Sonny Chapman.

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Crude Oil Output Up 3,185 Barrels

TULSA, Okla., Dec. 21. (AP)—The nation's daily average production of crude oil during the week ended Dec. 18 increased by 3,185 barrels over the previous week, the Oil & Gas Journal reported today.

The Journal gave the total production as 5,632,045 barrels daily. One state—Colorado—had a new high for the year. Its daily average (minus 160 barrels of Ptah production) was 53,350 barrels, a gain of 1,060 barrels.

Other principal contributors to the increase were Illinois, up 2,700 barrels to 181,100 barrels; Kansas, up 7,250 barrels to 307,150; and Oklahoma 1,900 to 441,300.

Biggest declines were in Mississippi, off 1,850 barrels to 128,750 barrels; and Wyoming, down 7,800 barrels to 154,520. Arkansas dropped 300 to 81,400 and Louisiana was down 500 to 494,300.

Production was unchanged in Nebraska, 350 barrels, and Texas, 2,516,675.

Longer Route Is Set For Bethlehem Pilgrimage Path

JERUSALEM, Dec. 21. (AP)—A roundabout route has been arranged to enable Christians to make the traditional Christmas Eve pilgrimage from Jerusalem to Bethlehem, the birthplace of Christ.

A United Nations communique last night said Jews and Arabs seeking a means of permitting the pilgrimage had agreed to open opposing lines between Old and New Jerusalem for 24 hours.

By this means Christians in the new city could cross into the old city and proceed to Bethlehem along an Arab Legion military road for 10 miles via Bethany.

The traditional, shorter route direct south to Bethlehem will not be open, apparently due to objections by the Egyptian army.

Turkey Finally Wins Argument

MCALLEN, Dec. 21. (AP)—Twelve years ago Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Fields of McAllen bought a three-pound turkey in Reynosa, Mexico, for their Christmas dinner. But the turkey still is hanging around the Fields home and now weighs 35 pounds.

"By the time we got him across the border and in a pen in the backyard," Field says, "we had become so attached to him we just couldn't think of killing and eating him, so he became a pet. We don't aim to eat him until he dies of old age."

Mrs. Fields has her side of the story. "At least he's a pet of Mr. Fields," she says. "He doesn't like me a bit. Whenever Mr. Fields comes around, Gobbler struts and shows off, but if I try to go into his pen, he fights me. I have to take a broom with me when I feed him, because he takes after me lickety split."

Fields says, "I don't know just what it was about the turkey that first gave us the idea of making a pet of him." Fields says, "Unless it was that he was such a little fellow and was so far away from home. Maybe we are just a little too sentimental."



RECEIVES EAGLE AWARD — Gene Reynolds, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Reynolds was awarded the Eagle badge at a recent Boy Scout court of honor. The badge was pinned on Gene's uniform by his mother, while the court presentation was made by Arnold Seydler, Scoutmaster of Troop No. 6 in Big Spring. (Jack M. Haynes Photo).

Japanese Farm Unions Okay

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21. (AP)—The 11-nation Far Eastern commission gave formal approval Monday to formation of unions, cooperatives and other organizations by Japanese farmers.

The commission, which sets basic policies for the occupation of Japan, said it has drawn up a formal statement of principles for such organizations. It was adopted Dec. 9 and has been sent to Gen. Douglas MacArthur.

The 800-word policy statement says at the outset that farmers should be "encouraged" to form organizations for their mutual economic and social benefit, and should have full protection of the occupational authorities and the Japanese government.

The commission advised however that its policy should be put into effect gradually, "due regard being paid to the immediate economic needs of the country and the need to prevent avoidable dislocation of food control measures."

In outlining rights and privileges for the cooperatives, the commission said they should be organized along democratic lines and have the power to admit persons who are not genuine farmers.

Joe McCluskey, veteran distance running star of the New York Athletics Club, will engage in his 20th year of competition this season.

Tombstone's Charge Of Murder Can't Have Justified Change

LENOIR, N. C., Dec. 21. (AP)—A lonely, 73-year-old mountaineer moved about his secluded home today unaware that the state can no longer change a tombstone which falsely accuses him of murder.

Hamp Kendall wants the slab in a country cemetery near here changed. Erected over the grave of Lawrence Nelson, it says that Nelson was "murdered and robbed by Hamp Kendall and John Vickers, Sept. 25, 1906."

The marker is the last public reminder of the nine years Kendall served in prison for a crime the state admits he did not commit. Convicted of Nelson's slaying, both Kendall and Vickers were exonerated later and pardoned. Vickers died soon after his release.

The state paid Kendall \$5,000 for his years in prison. But that was not enough, Kendall told Gov. R. Gregg Cherry in a letter. He wanted the "slandering" tombstone changed too.

The governor referred the matter to the Caldwell County board of commissioners which last night held that it could take no action because of a state law which makes it a misdemeanor to molest a tombstone.

Kendall's reaction to the board's action is unknown. He lives by himself in the mountains 25 miles from here and early today he had not been notified that his request has failed.

Blood Typing Will Be Discontinued For The Holidays

Regular weekly blood-typing will be discontinued during the holidays, it was announced today.

As a free public service by the Knights of Pythias lodge, blood typing has been going on each Wednesday evening for several weeks. In the process, a file of scores of individuals and their types has been accumulated. It has, on more than one occasion, been helpful in saving lives. The information is made available to all physicians.

In three Southwest Conference games this season, Texas' football team overcame half-time deficits to win—against Rice, Baylor and TCU.

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C. Aubrey Smith Character Actor, Succumbs At 85

BEVERLY HILLS, Calif., Dec. 21. (AP)—C. Aubrey Smith, the personification of the distinguished Britisher in films and in person, died Monday at 85.

Active in movies almost until his death, Sir Aubrey only recently had finished a role in "Little Women." He died at his home, and few of his friends were aware he was seriously ill, although he had been suffering for some time from a heart ailment.

Smith was a sort of untitled head of the British colony in Hollywood, and returned only a few months ago from a visit to his native country.

Born in London July 21, 1863, he had been on the stage and screen since 1892. But his first fame came as a cricketer, and as captain of a Cambridge University team and of English teams which invaded Australia and South Africa.

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Rare Flightless Bird Is Found

AUCKLAND, New Zealand, (AP)—A flightless New Zealand bird, thought to have died out 60 years ago, still lives in the south island of this dominion.

The bird is the Notornis, commonly known in New Zealand as the Takahē. Two living specimens were caught by a party led by Dr. G. B. Orbell, of Invercargill, in wild country near Lake Te Anau, Central Otago.

Only four specimens of the Notornis have been captured and killed. The first, found in 1849, and a second caught two years later are in the British Museum. The third, taken about 1880, was bought by the Dredgen Museum. The last, found in 1898, is in the Dunedin (N. Z.) Museum.

The larger of the two captured by Dr. Orbell's party was about 18 inches high and weighed five pounds. Dr. Orbell found that the bird's wings have degenerated further, but the bird has developed in size and strength of bill and feet. It has a bluish-black head and breast, and a bronze-green back and tail. The base of the bill is bright red, and the outer part a reddish pink.

Toastmasters Will Gather At Douglass
Regular meeting of the Toastmasters club will be held tonight at 6:30 p. m. in the Maverick room of the Douglass hotel, Al Dillon, president, announced today. Until after the holiday season, the club is observing an irregular schedule.

Jesse Jones Will Not Have To Appear At Oil Hearings

NEW YORK, Dec. 21. (AP)—Jesse H. Jones can stay in Texas instead of appearing at the Jan. 10 trial of a \$6 million suit brought against the American-Arabian Oil Co., Federal Judge Samuel Kaufman ruled yesterday.

Jones had been subpoenaed to appear as a witness in the suit be-

cause of his alleged knowledge of negotiations pertaining to a Saudi-Arabian transaction.

Jones, 74, disclaimed knowledge of the negotiations. He testified at an oral examination Nov. 26 before Judge Kaufman.

"No reason is shown for putting him (Jones) to the strain or inconvenience of returning from Texas for this jurisdiction to repeat at the trial the testimony he has already given by written and oral depositions under oath," said Judge Kaufman.



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SNOW BLANKETS NATION'S CAPITOL—A snowfall blanketed the Capitol in Washington and covered the inaugural stand in the foreground where President Truman will take the oath of office Jan. 20. An estimated three-inch snow fell. (AP Wirephoto).

Vote Discrimination Charges Federal Court Studies Mobile

MOBILE, Ala., Dec. 21. (AP)—A three-judge federal court today studied testimony by a member of the Mobile County board of registrars who said Negroes applying for registration to vote were treated differently than white persons. The witness, E. J. Gonzales, testified yesterday at a court trial on the constitutionality of Alabama's voter-qualification law, the Boswell amendment.

Gonzales said most Negroes were given tests on the U. S. Constitution, but that he had not been present when any white applicants were tested. Ten Mobile county Negroes contend the amendment infringes on their constitutional rights by granting wide discretion to the registrars. The two-year-old amendment provides that application for registration as voters must be able to "understand and explain" the fed-

eral constitution to the board of registrars' satisfaction. At the outset of the trial, attorneys for the registrars asked the court to eliminate Gonzales, one of the three board members, as a defendant. Asst. State Atty. Gen. Silas C. Garrett, III, said he had discovered that Gonzales would not go along with the other board members in their defense of the suit. Gonzales said "I cannot agree with the list of denials which they asked me to testify to in this case." The trial was continued today.

MacArthur Won't Return

TOKYO, Dec. 21. (AP)—Gen. Douglas MacArthur reiterated today he has no plans to return to the United States. He intends to stay in Japan to "see the job through." This information was relayed to the Associated Press by a highly placed allied headquarters official. This official said there was "not a word of truth" to reports circulated in Washington that MacArthur had communicated with President Truman on when to return home. The general said the same thing recently to an American visitor. At

that time reliable sources reported Mrs. MacArthur wanted to visit the U. S. for the first time in 11 years but would not go without the general. She is said to have remarked the general "is so busy I do not see how he could spare the time to leave."

Refugee Indonesian Regime In Manila

MANILA, Dec. 21. (AP)—Indonesian Republican leaders are planning to set up a refugee government here, the Manila Evening News reported today. "Ranking government officials" were quoted as the source.

GOOD TIME TO TRUST CHILDREN

DETROIT, Dec. 21. (AP)—The Boys Republic is trusting that a led is sure to behave himself at Christmas time. All 70 of the institution's boys, wards of the juvenile court, are going to be permitted to go home for the holiday—and each one on his own. The Boys Republic, a privately financed home for errant youngsters, will go a step further, it will pay any necessary traveling expenses.

Denmark Campaigns To Keep Scientists

COPENHAGEN, (AP)—An increasing number of prominent Danish scientists have left the country in recent months to be attached to universities, laboratories and colleges abroad. More than a dozen scientists have quit their jobs in Denmark so far. The authorities became alarmed when it was learned that eight scientists applied for jobs abroad in one week. Private circles have opened a drive to keep Danish scientists at home and the authorities promised to support the drive to secure better pay for the scientists' work.

Missing Girl Has Been Found In Ybarbo Case

MARBURG, Germany, Dec. 21. (AP)—A missing girl witness in the Ybarbo slaying has been found and may appear in court today to add another tale of illicit love to the sordid record unfolded during the trial.

Stanley Gaines of Brookline, Mass., counsel for Mrs. Wilma "Billie" Ybarbo, said he had located a fraulein who has been identified in court only as "Margarethe." Mrs. Ybarbo is charged with killing her war hero husband, Sgt. John Ybarbo of Goliah, Tex., after a fierce quarrel and fight. Mrs. Ybarbo, 23-year-old mother from Maiden, Mass., is claiming she shot her husband in self-defense. The trial is expected to end today and the court's verdict may be known by nightfall.

Testifying yesterday, the pretty defendant said her husband had admitted to her that two German girls were pregnant by him when she joined him in Germany three years ago.

"Margarethe" was one of the girls the sergeant complained about on the night he was shot, witnesses said. He was reported to have said she was trying to make him pay for her baby. The other German girl, named as "Anne Marie" also is scheduled to testify today. The military government court has all but ruled out the possibility of the death penalty for Mrs. Ybarbo if she is convicted. The court has decided the prosecution did not prove premeditation.

Aged Lover Fails To Woo Properly

CHICAGO, Dec. 21. (AP)—Mrs. Angeline Kemp complained to Circuit Judge Julius H. Miner that her husband, Joseph, didn't kiss her during the 10 days she lived with him. She asked that the marriage be annulled. They were married last Aug. 10 and separated Sept. 10. Judge Miner took the case under advisement.

Mrs. Kemp is 65, a widow and a grandmother. Kemp, a retired contractor and widower, is 75, has eight sons and daughters by the previous marriage and 15 grandchildren.

Bradley In Front

MONTEBELLO, Calif., Dec. 21. (AP)—Jackson Bradley fired a consistent last-round 69 to win the fourth annual 54-hole Montebello Open Golf Tournament and its \$500 first prize with a total of 205.

WORK OF VANDALS

Midland School Building Flooded

MIDLAND, Dec. 21.—Authorities are searching for clues that might unravel the mystery of malicious damage to the high school here Sunday night.

Vandals turned on all faucets in the three-story building and plugged drains, flooding the structure at all three levels. Textbooks, notebooks and personal belongings of students were found floating in the mess when a building custodian opened the doors Monday morning.

Water was seeping through the plastered ceilings and running down door and window facings, and even seeping through the mor-

tar between bricks on the building's exterior. Apparently the hoodlums had gone through desks, dumping contents into the floors. Students and school officials alike were outraged by the depredations. Superintendent Frank Monroe said no estimate of damage could be had pending a further check. Police Chief Jack Ellington said that it was the worst case of vandalism he had ever seen. There were no clues uncovered immediately.

Meanwhile, engineers were to check the building. Monroe said it might require many days or even weeks to thoroughly dry the water-logged school.

Jester Considering Emergency Raises

AUSTIN, Dec. 21. (AP)—Gov. Beauford H. Jester today wrestled with the problem of emergency pay raises for state employees.

For more than two hours yesterday he heard arguments from department heads for and against two proposed methods of granting such raises for workers pinched by inflation. They were:

1. A proposal that the legislature be asked to give an across-the-board emergency pay raise to all state workers, ranging from 15 to

25 per cent. 2. A plan to ask the legislature to apply a formula to equalize pay for state workers in various classes with that paid by private industry, on an emergency basis in January.

State department heads using the first plan contended the second was too complicated to expect quick action from the legislature.

Hall Logan, chairman of the board of control, replied that the first plan might be the quickest but that it would not necessarily be the best on a long-range basis, and it would not iron out inequalities in pay.

In any case, the legislature itself will have the say, no matter what the board of control, the governor, or the department heads want. Several members of the governor's cabinet pointed that out during the two-hour argument.

The department heads were talking about emergency raises—those that would go into effect as soon as possible after the 51st Legislature meets. It would help tide state workers over until the regular biennial appropriation goes into effect Sept. 6, 1949.

Agreement Boosts Gift Parcel Flow

LONDON, (AP)—The flow of gift parcels from the United States to Britain will be increased by an Anglo-American agreement signed in London. The pact exempts the gifts from customs duty and provides for repayment of freight charges to senders. Parcels affected:

Relief goods sent by American voluntary non-profit agencies to charitable organizations in the U. K.; Standard packages sent by non-profit relief agencies to individuals in Britain on the order of individual Americans; and Relief packages sent by parcel post or commercial channels to individuals in Britain.

Under the Economic Cooperation Act, ocean freight charges for relief packages already are being paid by ECA. Under the new agreement transportation charges within the U. K. will be defrayed out of the sterling counterpart fund set aside by Britain to match ERP dollar grants.

The British customs duties on such parcels have been waived by Britain for some time. The agreement on this point merely formalizes procedure already in effect.

Famed Elgin Marbles Are Out Of Storage

LONDON, (AP)—The all-clear has been sounded for the famous Elgin Marbles. They are coming out of their wartime hide-out in a London subway station (Aldwych) where they have been stored for nine years.

There are 100 tons of Greek sculptures which were removed from the Acropolis in Athens by Lord Elgin at the beginning of the last century, when the temples had been turned into a Turkish fortress.

Among the works, bought by Britain in 1816 for 36,000 (\$144,000), is a part of the frieze of the Parthenon. The sculptures are being taken back to the British Museum where they will be placed on view in the Duveen gallery.

Holder of Arizona's football scoring record is Harold McClellan, who in 1921 scored 124 points. Fifty-two were by conversions and 15 by field goals.

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More Teamwork May Help Effect Security Against Espionage

A great deal of speculation has resulted from the espionage investigations. The House Un-American Activities committee has uncorked some star witnesses, of which demonstrative Whitaker Chambers is the chief. He has pointed the finger at Alger Hiss, a former state department official. This line of procedure has generated enough smoke to indicate some fire.

The justice department has been carrying on its probe, too, using the celebrated "blue ribbon" grand jury as its sounding board. Frequently, the two agencies seemed at cross-purposes, or at least out of harmony in the investigations.

Seasoned observers have repeatedly pointed out that the House committee is battling for its life. A case in point was the recent statement that sensational developments would be announced that secrets had been stolen from the Aberdeen, Md. proving grounds. As yet that disclosure has not blossomed beyond the promise stage. On the other hand, the President, seeking to ease opposition pressure

from the administration, has reiterated his "red herring" evaluation of the House committee's activities. On both sides the prompting influences are more than slightly tinged with the political.

It is therefore encouraging, if for only a moment, to note that the House committee and justice department have made a semblance of peace and a gesture toward cooperation.

One thing is clear, and so clear that it should not be overlooked. The State department's method of handling highly confidential information is, or was, so slipshod that almost anyone from the janitor on up could have obtained important secrets. If nothing else results, some militant action ought to be taken to correct that system of doing things in the State department and all other agencies of government charged with handling information dealing with the security of the nation. Tightening of the espionage laws and a more bipartisan slant in dealing with suspected espionage may be beneficial.

Watch Out For Yourself And For The Other Fellow, Too

Before the week is out, scores of families will pile into automobiles and take to the highways for a quick Christmas trip with relatives and friends.

If history repeats itself, Texas may chalk up two score dead in traffic mishaps before the holiday season is over. Percentage wise this may be small, but when human life is concerned, percentages are not of much consolation.

It is doubly tragic when people are slaughtered on the highway, not only because of the loss of life, but because the loss is in most cases utterly needless. At this season of the year, when happiness should be at its peak, the tragedy is sharper.

There is but one preventative, and that is commonsense caution.

Because the other fellow may not be

exercising care in his driving, it is imperative that thinking drivers exercise an extra portion of alertness. Being in the right does not exempt a driver from bodily harm. So it's better to be wide-awake, to yield, to do the thinking for the other fellow than to become a statistic.

Refraining from excessive speed is one way to avoid mishaps. Another, and equally important, is to lay off driving if and while drinking, even in the slightest degree; to insist that those who are driving for you follow this rule. Still another is to dim lights when approaching other cars at night; to observe roadway markers and center stripes. Pedestrians can help stay alive, too, by remembering that motorists cannot always see them at night. It is their business to watch for on-coming cars.

Affairs Of The World — DeWitt MacKenzie

Another Bloody Session Is Likely In Indonesia Area

An AP Newsfeature

AS THE CARDS LIE WE ARE LIKELY to see another session of bloody warfare in Indonesia.

The armies of the Indonesian republic and the Netherlands government are geared for a showdown.

Indeed the Dutch, declaring that the Republic had embarked on the preliminaries of large scale hostilities, already have begun "police action" to "reestablish law and order." The republicans charge the Dutch with being the aggressors.

So the fight is on. Dutch troops captured Jogjakarta, the Republic's capital, and took into custody Premier Mohamed Hatta, President Soekarno, and other Republican leaders.

Quick intervention by the United Nations might avert this new horror, but there is nothing else in sight to turn the trick.

THE TROUBLE BETWEEN THE REPUBLIC of Indonesia and the Dutch government (to try to put it on thumbnail) is this:

The Republic demands absolute independence, shorn of any sort of bond with the Netherlands. Holland is trying to turn its empire into a commonwealth in which the members would acknowledge the crown as the tie. This commonwealth would be similar to the British structure.

The Indonesian situation is complicated by the fact that there are six other native governments in the Dutch East Indies besides that of the Republic. The latter claims to represent the rich islands of Java, Sumatra, and Madoera.

The Netherlands had aimed at the establishment of an interim federal government comprising all seven native states. This would be the forerunner of the Dutch commonwealth. Premier Hatta of the Republic agreed to this arrangement but he had strong opposition.

Hatta hasn't been presiding over a unified government. The Communists are a powerful influence though curiously they are divided against themselves. There are two groups—the Trotskyites, which support the government, and the Stalinists which are in opposition.

Nation Today — James Marlow

Better Enjoy Christmas Next May Not Be As Good

WASHINGTON, (AP)—A NOTE TO ANYONE who believes in an everlasting Santa Claus:

I know you're busy now buying up a few last minute presents before Christmas.

It's been good shopping, too. People have money and stores are bulging. People and stores in this country, I mean.

And I hope you'll have a fine Christmas, comfortable, surrounded by your family and friends, and with rich, good food.

But on Christmas day if you're going to make one wish above all others, as a lot of people do, let me suggest this one: That next Christmas and all your Christmases be as good and cheerful and peaceful for you as this one. Wish hard for that.

Maybe that sounds a little chilling, like the bony hand of a witch knocking on your window pane in the moonlight. I don't mean it to be.

But I know how easy it is to feel cozy in your own warm house on Christmas day, and forget what's happening in the street outside.

IT HAPPENED ON MY OWN STREET. The other night I was talking with a couple of neighbors, a man and his wife, who are very happy, earnest people.

She had been shopping all day for their son. And the husband expects a pay raise. So the future looks pretty good and solid to them.

She talked about Christmas and Democracy. She's a great believer in both. And she seemed to think both are perfectly safe forever, at least here.

She had no doubts about it. And putting together all she said, she said something like this:

If anybody tries to interfere with us, we certainly can take care of them; and in time, when everybody gets a little more wisdom, there'll be Democracy everywhere.

I told her that was comforting, and I hoped it was true, but I told her that before everything is the way she wants it to be, we may have a big job on our hands.

I ASKED HER TO WIPE HER WINDSHIELD while I told her this story:

At this minute we're like a man caught between two automobiles, both owned by Communists, that are backing up on him. We'll try to keep from getting crushed but we'll have to be strong to do it.

To the east of us—we're trying to keep Communism, which has taken over half of Europe, from taking the other half.

To the west of us—we're practically helpless to stop the Chinese Communists, who've taken over half of China, from taking the other half.

Already 500 million people are living under Communism and the figure soon may be 750 million while there are only about 147 million of us here.

In China, with its population of 450 million, now 200 million are under the Communists and the other 250 million will be if the Communists win, as they seem likely to; Russia's 200 million are under Communism; and the rest of the 500 million are in the countries of Europe run by the Communists.

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NEVER A DULL MOMENT



Washington Merry-Go-Round — Drew Pearson

Forrestal Wants Secret Report On Jap Red Spies 'Declassified'

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WASHINGTON—SECRETARY of Defense Forrestal had a significant conversation with two of his top men the other day—Adm. Sid Souers, secretary of the National Security Council, and Gen. Al Gruenther, director of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

Forrestal said that he wanted them to get him a top-secret Army report on Communist espionage inside Japan. Because certain Americans were involved in this pre-Pearl Harbor espionage, the report has been considered highly secret.

However, Forrestal asked Adm. Souers and Gen. Gruenther to "declassify" it (make it non-secret) immediately.

"I want to give it to Joe Alsop," explained the Secretary of National Defense, referring to one of the newsmen who has consistently trumpeted the idea that "Forrestal's continuation in office was essential to the nation."

The Army promptly cabled Gen. MacArthur asking if he has any objection to making the secret report available to the Alsop brothers (in order to further the Forrestal campaign to remain in office). But although MacArthur, at this writing, had not replied, here are the main details of the top-secret report which Secretary Forrestal wants given to his pets of the press.

VICE CONSUL INVOLVED

The story is somewhat similar to that now being unfolded before a New York grand jury and the un-American Activities Committee. Just as the Russians placed key men inside the U. S. government, so they began long before the war to plant key spies inside Japan. They began operating about 1934 and continued to 1941—two months before Pearl Harbor.

Two Germans were involved. Two Japs educated in the United States, two Americans, and one German—British newspaperman. One of the Americans was Agnes Smedley, who lived 20 years in the Orient, has written many books on China, and who is listed in Who's Who as currently living in Saratoga Springs, N. Y., where she has been a teacher at Skidmore College. A telephone call to Saratoga brought the information that she was no longer there.

The other American was Tycho Lilliestrom, U. S. vice consul at Harbin, Manchuria. Born in Finland, Lilliestrom served 21 years in the consular service, and died in 1943. It was in his home in Harbin that the Communist spies assembled a powerful radio set later smuggled into Japan.

WHAT RUSSIA LEARNED

So successful was the Russian spy ring in penetrating innermost Japanese government circles, that some of the war lords' most vital secrets were transmitted by shortwave radio to Moscow. The spies learned among other things that:

1. The Jap war lords would definitely attack the United States. This information went to Moscow two months before Pearl Harbor.

2. Japan would not join an alliance against Russia. This was learned in 1937, and caused Stalin, shortly thereafter, to sign the Nazi-Russian alliance, which in turn left Hitler free to wage war against France and England. Undoubtedly this piece of information alone swayed the tides of history.

3. Japan would not attack Russia. This information, sent to Mos-

cow in 1941, caused Stalin to pull all his reserves out of Siberia and concentrate them in front of Moscow. Without this intelligence information, Moscow might have fallen.

Head of the Communist spy ring was Richard Sorge. Born in Baku, a soldier in the German army, he carefully prepared for his work by taking a special espionage course in Moscow and then becoming far eastern correspondent for several German newspapers.

In Shanghai he met Agnes Smedley, who put him in touch with Japanese Communists.

In Tokyo, posing always as a German newsman, he became press attaché to the German embassy and close friend of the German ambassador. All the secrets of the embassy passed through his hands.

L. A. JAPS INVOLVED

Sorge's co-conspirators were a Los Angeles Japanese woman named Tomo Kitabayani; a Japanese artist from the United States named Totika Miyago; a German businessman and radio operator named Max Klausen; and most important of all, Hozumi Ozaki, a Jap Communist who became an editor of the Tokyo Asahi and a close advisor to the prime minister of Japan.

Ozaki had access to some of the highest Japanese government secrets, which were transmitted to Moscow via Sorge and Klausen's shortwave radio.

Klausen sent his messages by going out in a boat, dressed as a fisherman, and operating his radio as far as possible from shore. Although the Japs intercepted the messages and tried hard to find the transmitter, they were never able to do so. Nor were they ever able to decipher the code until shortly before Pearl Harbor, when, through an accident, they caught one of the spies, Fitzu Ito, formerly of Los Angeles.

He talked.

After that all were caught, tried, and the two top men—Sorge and Ozaki—beheaded. Klausen gave the Japs the secret code used to transmit the radio messages, whereupon all the back messages were translated.

When Gen. MacArthur granted amnesty to Japanese political prisoners after V-J Day in 1945, he discovered the remnants of the Communist spy ring still in prison and turned them loose.

From the Japanese court records, his chief intelligence officer, Gen. Charles Willoughby, pieced together this amazing story of Communist intrigue.

NOTE—Some of the Japanese spy leaders now head Japanese labor unions, and one of them, Ritzu Ito, is a leading Communist.

Hollywood — Bob Thomas

Anne Baxter Wants Song And Dance Role

HOLLYWOOD, (AP)—Look who wants a singing and dancing role: Anne Baxter.

The Academy Award winner (for support in "The Razor's Edge") has studied voice and has long yearned to be starred in a musical. "It's probably a frustrated desire," she admitted on the "You're My Everything" set.

"When I was a kid, chorus girls seemed exciting and glamorous."

While she's at it, Anne makes another wish for 1949. She'd like to be picked by 20th-Fox for the role of "Lydia Bailey," the sexy Caribbean adventuress.

Dorothy Lamour is free of her Paramount ties and tells me she will concentrate on her radio show next year. Her deal with RKO starts Jan. 1, but she merely has to do three pictures in six years. Doty is proud of a

Soviet Newsmen Acquire A Club

MOSCOW, (AP)—Soviet newspapermen have now acquired a new club building.

The Trade Union for Newspaper Workers have refurbished a "Central Home for Journalists" on Nikitski Boulevard in Moscow. It has a concert hall, a lecture hall, a sixty thousand volume library, three living rooms, ten rooms for club activities, a restaurant, a billiard room, and other facilities. The organization committee of the new club is headed by the famous journalist David Zaslavsky.

Fourteen rookies are on the rosters of the six clubs in the National Hockey League this season.

Around The Rim — The Herald Staff

There's Mass Psychology In The Christmas Rush

Been hearing a lot of people say that they would be glad when Christmas was over and that's a statement which we hear nearly every Yuletide. Now everyone likes Christmas and most of us look forward to the great day from one Christmas to the other. But it seems that in spite of the fact that we know it's coming we never start our preparations until such a late hour that we have to break a world's speed record to get our shopping and other duties completed.

For a number of years, we have resolved faithfully to start our gift selection early enough that we would have time to give a little thought to the almost traditional tie for Uncle Elmer and candy for Aunt Susie. We like to feel that our relatives and friends give a little thought to the selection of our gifts and we'd like to do the same for them, but instead of avoiding the Christmas rush, we also rushed down today with four days left and in some thirty minutes made a bad grab at various items and completed our

shopping with no thought at all and with the faint hope that maybe we can pay for the said gifts in January.

Maybe this is the reason why most people look forward to Christmas and at the same time say that they will be glad when it's over. Every holiday season brings its share of social events and nearly everyone stays in a social whirl trying to attend all the programs and entertainments. There are so many last minute things to do that if we postpone things that could be taken care of earlier, we find ourselves in an almost hopeless situation.

Personally, we sort of enjoy the last minute rush. It seems a lot more fun to do something when everybody's doing it than to do it when no one else even thinks about it. But, we also think that earlier preparation for Christmas would prevent a lot of the talk, "I'll be glad when it's over," and also that "let-down" feeling that follows Christmas. —MILDRED YOUNG.

Notebook — Hal Boyle

Envied Actor Ferrer's Goal Is To Get Out Of Theater

NEW YORK, (AP)—JOSE FERRER, THE most envied actor on Broadway today, has a simple professional ambition.

"My goal in the theatre," he said, "is to get out of the theatre."

This attitude would be easily understandable in one who had flopped. It sounded odd coming from a man who only last month got the finest accolade from critics of any actor since John Barrymore hit the jackpot in "Hamlet."

But Ferrer, star of "The Silver Whistle," doesn't find too much to whistle over in his new fame. He is in somewhat the position of a man who suddenly achieved a lifelong goal to be a lighthouse keeper—and then found the view from the top boring.

Actor friends tell Ferrer he is lucky because he is in a hit play that may last for years. And this is the prospect that rather appalls him.

"It means," he lamented over a well-poached egg, "that I'll have to say the same lines, over and over, eight times a week for perhaps two or three years. That's no way to live."

FERRER — PRONOUNCED "FOR air"—said he felt the twin evils of the American theatre are its insecurity of employment and over-emphasis on new hit plays.

Ferrer thinks the ideal compromise has been made by Laurence Olivier, the English actor, who appears in one movie and "five or six plays a year." And he believes many of the troubles of the American theatre would be solved if more encouragement were given to playwrights.

Ferrer, a pleasant, mobile-featured man of 36, laughed and said cheerfully: "I know this may sound a little ungrateful, but it's really a kind of luxury to me. Nobody listens to an actor's gripes when he's out of work."

He has a common-sense, down-to-earth view of the stage.

"The chief requirement of an actor is exhibitionism—of one kind or another. It's childish—but in a healthy way."

"THE AVERAGE ACTOR IS LESS likely to be neurotic than any other kind of artist. It's easier for him to express himself. And, of course, he gets to hear the applause."

At present Ferrer appears in no imminent danger of starvation. He can stand on 47th and Broadway and see his name in lights over two productions—his dramatic play and the movie "Joan of Arc."

Matter Of Fact—Joseph And Stewart Alsop

Steel Industry May Have Wolf! Wolf! Too Often

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WASHINGTON—A proposal which involves highly explosive issues is now being anxiously debated in the White House. It is proposed that President Truman recommend to Congress legislation to permit the government to construct, own and operate steel plants in order to overcome the desperate steel shortage.

Most sensible people have long since written off the word "socialistic" as conservatives in this country have for so long been in the habit of using the word to describe any measure which they disliked. But the plain fact is that, if Truman approves this proposal, the cryers of "wolf, wolf" will actually have a real wolf to cry about, if only a very young and rather toothless wolf. For quite aside from its faults or merits, legislation permitting the government ownership and operation of plants in the most basic sector of the economy does actually have genuinely socialist overtones.

The chief sparkplug behind the move is young Assistant Secretary of the Interior Girard Davidson, who has been fighting a running battle with the great steel companies. Davidson has the backing of his boss, Julius Krug, and the enthusiastic, all-out support of the United Automobile Workers' Walter Reuther and the C.I.O.'s Philip Murray.

The lineup within the Administration has not yet jelled. Davidson's natural allies would be the President's most influential liberal advisers, his counsel, Clark Clifford, and Leon Keyserling, vice-chairman of the Council of Economic Advisers. Both these men have been considering and debating the proposal, but they have not yet fully made up their minds. Neither has President Truman.

Davidson and his allies defend the measure on strictly practical rather than ideological grounds. The steel men, in Davidson's words, "lie in constant dread of a depression," and are therefore refusing to expand steel capacity sufficiently to meet the needs of defense and a full employment economy, and to head off further inflation. The steel shortage is ten million tons a year, and the much-advertised expansion program of the steel industry, according to its government critics, only provides for an increased capacity of a totally inadequate million tons a year.

The Davidson group is therefore pressing the White House to ask Congress for authorization to take the following steps: First, the steel men would be told how much steel the country needs. Then the steel corporations would be offered Reconstruction Finance Corporation loans to build the necessary plants. And finally, if the steel men refused to go along (which most of the major corporations almost certainly would) the government would be permitted to build and operate the plants itself.

Clearly, in strictly ideological terms, this proposal is a good many degrees to the left of anything ever submitted to

Congress in peace time by any President anxious to deal with the steel shortage has a good deal of support, not only in the Administration, but in Congress and even among some business men.

Congressional support derives particularly from those who have been listening to the bitter wails of the small businessmen who cannot get enough steel to operate their plants. Even Senator Kenneth S. Wherry, Republican chairman of the Senate Small Business Committee, whose convictions are hardly Marxist, is known to have uttered harsh words about the policies of the big steel companies. Wherry could hardly be expected to go along with anything so drastic as the measure sponsored by Davidson. But Senator James E. Murray of Montana, who will replace Wherry as chairman if the committee is continued by the Eighty-first Congress, is known to favor some such legislation. So does Congressman Wright Patman, of Texas, a senior member of the House Banking and Currency Committee.

As for the business men, any business man would normally recoil in instinctive horror from the sort of government action now being discussed. But Davidson has actually received a number of letters from big and little business men warmly commending his stand against the steel companies, simply because many businesses are in desperate straits for lack of steel.

The chances are that in the end President Truman, essentially a middle-of-the-roader, will not go as far as Davidson and his labor backers want. It is more likely that Truman will ask for mandatory allocation powers, and some sort of incentive device to increase steel production under private ownership and management.

Yet the fact that so far-reaching a proposal is now being seriously discussed in the White House is in itself deeply significant. It is a measure, for one thing, of the new influence in the Administration of labor and the left.

Today's Birthday—

ERIC ALLEN JOHNSTON, born Dec. 21, 1896, in Washington, D. C. His family was poor and moved to Spokane, where his father died. Eric went to work when 6, selling newspapers. He worked his way through the University of Washington, served in the Marines in World War I, became an industrialist, headed the National Association of Manufacturers and took over Will Hays' job as movie czar.



WORD-A-DAY

By BACH

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Bond Set For Pilot In Nicaragua Case

MIAMI, Fla., Dec. 21. (AP)—A bond of \$500 has been set for Games G. Hurst, 28, of Miami, Fla., charged with illegally exporting an A-20 bomber from Brownsville to Nicaragua, last Jan. 1.

Hurst's arrest was reported yesterday by the FBI. U. S. Commissioner Roger E. Davis ordered the bond pending another hearing Jan. 10.

The bomber was seized at Miami May 7 when Hurst sought to return it to this country.

At the time the plane was seized customs agents said it carried cases for 15 bombs destined for Nicaragua.

Port Of Houston Is Over \$1 Billion Mark

HOUSTON, Dec. 21. (AP)—The port of Houston showed an increase of 55.8 per cent over last year to become a billion-dollar port for the first time in its history.

Port Director W. F. Heavey said yesterday that cargoes valued at \$1,027,384,800 moved across the port's docks during the first eleven months of the year.

MGM Must Give Film Writer Job

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 21. (AP)—Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer movie studio is under federal court order today to reinstate Screen Writer Lester Cole in his \$1,350-a-week job and pay him about \$75,000 back salary.

Judge Leon R. Yankwich, yesterday sharply criticized Eric Johnston, president of the Motion Picture Assn. of Major Producers, and upheld a jury verdict last Friday in Cole's favor after trial of his reinstatement suit.

Cole was one of 10 Hollywood figures suspended by their studios a year ago after they were charged with contempt of Congress for refusing to tell the House Committee on un-American Activities whether they were Communists.

Cole is the first suit of its type tried. He and the other nine have damage suits aggregating \$89 million pending, alleging there was a conspiracy to prevent them from working in pictures.

Judge Yankwich ruled the Cole suspension was void and ordered MGM to spread on its minutes an order cancelling the suspension.

Concerning Johnston, who testified that it was on his advice that

the studios suspended the "unfriendly 10," Judge Yankwich said: "Mr. Johnston is dogmatic, a doctrinaire and an absolutist. The dogmatic type of mind has long existed in the United States, confined in the past to certain types of clergymen. Mr. Johnston has demonstrated that it has reached the sacred precincts of business."

Ford Foundation Expands Services

DETROIT, Dec. 21. (AP)—The \$2 million Ford Foundation is setting out to expand its activities in serving "human welfare."

Henry Ford II, president of the board of trustees, said the foundation hopes to make "significant contributions" in "problems confronting people everywhere."

"While important efforts to solve these problems are being made by government, industry, foundations and other institutions, the needs far transcend the present total effort," Ford said.

A committee of prominent men in medicine, education, social science, business, political science and the natural sciences has been named to advise the foundation on use of its funds.

The late Edsel Ford created the foundation in 1936. As of last Nov. 30, the foundation owned 2,803,908 non-voting shares—or 81.2 per cent—of the stock of the Ford Motor Co.

Lullaby Service Bridges Britches Breach For Babies

ATLANTA, Dec. 21. (AP)—Priority air shipment: 200 dozen baby diapers.

The 2,400 squares of cloth were flown from Atlanta to Birmingham yesterday to cover an emergency.

The Lullaby Diaper Service in Birmingham burned over the week end. Many youngsters were in a dilemma—no pants.

Lullaby's Atlanta branch jumped to bridge the britches breach.

The air shipments will continue, said the Atlanta manager, as long as necessary.

Woman, 80, Marries Man 90 Years Old

WACO, Dec. 21. (AP)—Mrs. Sarah E. Braun, 89, and B. J. Blakely, 90, were married here yesterday with the Rev. D. D. Dunlap officiating.

Mrs. Braun has seven children; Blakely, six.



ACTRESS—Wanda Hendrix poses beside a stone lion in the garden of Villa Palmieri, Florence, Italy, one of the locations where she is making a motion picture with Tyrone Power.

Coroner's Jury Returns Styles Suicide Verdict

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 21. (AP)—Pretty Patricia Styles killed herself, a coroner's jury has ruled, upsetting her father's hope that there would be some death finding other than suicide.

The nine-man jury said after yesterday's inquest that "we believe the death of Patricia Styles to have resulted from a gunshot wound by a .32 caliber revolver held in her own hands with suicidal intent."

Miss Styles, 25, blond actress daughter of Radio Producer Hal Styles, died in a flurry of shooting Dec. 13 on a North Hollywood street. Even as she fell fatally wounded, she shot her former suitor, Nate Sugarman, 44, investment broker, twice. He is recovering from leg and head wounds.

Styles testified that Sugarman, a friend of Miss Styles for four years but who recently became engaged to another woman, twice in 1947 threatened his daughter's life.

However, the distraught father, who had told reporters he didn't believe his daughter killed herself, failed to produce witnesses or evidence indicating her death wasn't a suicide.

Former Surgeon General Is Dead

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21. (AP)—Funeral services will be held Thursday for Dr. Hugh Scott Cumming, former surgeon general of the United States Public Health Service, who died here last night at the age of 79.

The funeral will be held at Hampton, Va., where he was born.

After entering the public health service in 1894, Dr. Cumming served as its director from 1920 to 1936. He was known for his work in quarantining such diseases as smallpox and yellow fever, and received numerous foreign decorations for his health work.

Russian Papers Carry Story Of Decision On Tojo

MOSCOW, Dec. 21. (AP)—The Government Newspaper Izvestia carried the news today that the United States Supreme Court had turned down the appeal of Japanese war criminals on the grounds the court lacked jurisdiction.

At the same time, Pravda launched a strong editorial attack on the court for considering whether or not to hear the appeals.

Dies At Age Of 102

PLAINVIEW, Dec. 21. (AP)—A 102-year-old Plainview woman, Mrs. Emily Johnson, died here yesterday of complications following a hip fracture suffered Dec. 5.

She celebrated her 102nd birthday Sunday.

Promise Regarded With Skepticism

HAMBURG, Germany — (AP)—The Soviet promise to send all German prisoners of war home before the end of the year is regarded skeptically by the Protestant Aid Society.

The organization has advised Germans to post their Christmas cards to prisoners early to ensure delivery in time.

THIS MUST HAVE BEEN HOT ISSUE

GETTYSBURG, Pa., Dec. 21. (AP)—Judge W. C. Sheely sentenced Charles Ray Keller to two to four years in prison yesterday after Keller told the Adams County court he burned down his house "to get away from my wife."

Keller pleaded guilty to charges that he set fire to his home last Nov. 16.

"I burned down the house," he told Judge Sheely, "to collect insurance to pay off my debts and get away from my wife."

Nicaragua Disclaims Costa Rica Action

MANAGUA, Nicaragua, Dec. 21. (AP)—War Minister Anastasio Somoza says he told investigators Nicaragua was "not involved in the invasion of Costa Rica."

Somoza, Nicaragua's "strong man," said he met for about two hours yesterday with the commission from the organization of the

Little Girl Has Two New 'Hands'

LOVEJOY, Ga., Dec. 21. (AP)—Blue-eyed Grace Purcell has a new pair of "hands," but she doesn't like them.

The four-year-old child, born without hands and arms below the elbow, says the metal devices that have been strapped to her arm stumps are ugly.

But her parents and officials at the Georgia State Welfare Department, which provided the appliances, hope Grace will learn to use them.

Mrs. Helen Carr, supervisor of the department's division for crippled children, said the curly-haired child's reaction was not surprising.

"She has never had arms or hands," Mrs. Carr explained, "and she has no idea what they are for."

Light Snow Is Predicted For New York Area

NEW YORK, Dec. 21. (AP)—A light snow was predicted for this afternoon and evening as the metropolitan area hopped out quickly from under a 19.5-inch blanket—third heaviest in its history.

About a score of deaths in the northeast states were blamed on the storm which brought the season's biggest snowfall to many sections Sunday and early Monday.

Most transportation lines were running on time, or nearly so, and the metropolitan area's three major airports were in operation again.

The snow, which fell here for 20 hours, had turned to deep slush in many places—principally heavily-traveled thoroughfares—and a freeze threatened to impede the work of 20,000 snow removers.

Effects of the storm were nothing like those of the record snowfall of 25.8 inches last Dec. 26 and 27, when cleanup crews and some transportation systems were caught unprepared.

France And Italy To Discuss Colonies

CANNES, France, Dec. 21. (AP)—The foreign ministers of France and Italy will discuss the future of Italy's pre-war colonies today.

The question is scheduled to come before the United Nations General Assembly when it meets in New York next April.

Robert Schuman of France and Carlo Sforza of Italy began their discussion of international problems yesterday. They agreed to intensify trade relations between the two countries.

Soldier Killed

WICHITA FALLS, Dec. 21. (AP)—An Air Forces corporal stationed at Sheppard Air Base near here, Ronald L. Gibbons, 21, died last night when the truck in which he was riding overturned and crashed into a viaduct in the business section.

Three Withdraw From Special Elections

HOUSTON, Dec. 21. (AP)—Three candidates in the Jan. 8 special election here withdrew yesterday.

There are now 19 candidates for the state senate and 23 for state representative.

American states looking into Costa Rican charges she was invaded by a force from Nicaragua with the support of Somoza.

The commission arrived here yesterday from Costa Rica. Shortly afterward Somoza reported two Costa Rican planes had machine-gunned a Nicaraguan army barracks at Dos Mojones on the border. Dos Mojones is 10 miles north of La Cruz, Costa Rica, still held by the invaders.

The commission hopes to end its work here today and leave for Washington tomorrow.

In San Jose, the Costa Rican capital, the general staff issued a bulletin last night saying government troops had engaged a rebel group at San Miguel de Sarapiquí, about 40 miles north of San Jose. The government is reinforcing its heavy garrison in the area.

The bulletin also said government troops had taken the airport at Murciélago, 20 miles south of La Cruz. One government casualty was reported.

IMPROMPTU SHOW WITH FIREWORKS

WICHITA FALLS, Dec. 21. (AP)—A crowd of about 10,000 watched an impromptu fireworks show here last night.

A customer at a fireworks stand on the edge of the city decided to try out some of the fire crackers he had just purchased. One of the crackers landed in a box of torpedoes and the show started.

The fire department estimated the loss at about \$1,000.

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Wyoming Ranch Is Sold To Dallasite

LARAMIE, Wyo., Dec. 21. (AP)—The 3,840-acre Dixon Ranch near McPadden, Wyo., has been sold to Frank Hoefus of Dallas by Lloyd E. Dixon for a reported \$250,000. The county clerk here said last night that the ranch covers land in six townships and normally runs 2,000 to 2,500 cattle.

Peter Cooper, inventor of a number of varied items including a tiny locomotive, in 1845 obtained the first patent for a gelatin dessert—but did nothing about it.

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SO I APPEAL TO YOU FOR HELP MAM, I'M A BACHELOR, I'M DESPERATE, I WANT THE BRIGHTEST IDEA WHAT TO GET BUE AND CURSTY FOR A WEDDING PRESENT.

WHY, MR. SWEENEY, I KNOW THE VERY THING—A FLUR THROW.

WHAT?

A THROW... SORT OF LAP ROSE... IT'S JUST THE THING TO PUT ON THE CHAISE LONGUE I'M GIVING THEM.

I HAVE ONE AT HOME... THE SKIN OF A ROCKY MOUNTAIN BIGHORN SHEEP CHRISTY USED TO CURL UP WITH A BOOK AND WRAP IT AROUND HER FEET, SHE WAS SIMPLY WILD ABOUT IT.

BIGHORN SHEEP SAY! THAT'S AN IDEA! PRACTICAL—DIFFERENT!

MEAD'S fine BREAD

OAKIE DOAKS

WHO IS THIS DR. HOODEY?

I'M AFRAID HE'S A MENACE, M'DEAR!

I'VE HEARD HE'S SOME KIND OF A FIFTH COLUMN!

HE'S SO SKINNY HE LOOKS LIKE A COLUMN!

I BETTER FIND OUT WHAT HE'S UP TO!

THEN WE'LL GO TO HIS LECTURE!

I S'POSE WE'LL HAFTA WALK?

OF COURSE, M'DEAR! WE HAVEN'T GOT A CARRIAGE WITHOUT BROKEN SPRINGS!

SCORCHY SMITH

HEY! WAIT! WHOA! HE'S GOING TO GO TO BED AND I'VE GOTTA GO TO THE DURBAR!

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MEAD'S fine CAKES

BLONDIE

MAMA HAS A HEADACHE... WILL YOU PLEASE LOOK AFTER THINGS WHILE I LIE DOWN?

SURE, MAMA.

MAY I SPEAK TO THE LADY OF THE HOUSE, PLEASE?

I'M THE LADY OF THE HOUSE.

AREN'T YOU AWFULLY SMALL TO TAKE CARE OF A BIG HOUSE LIKE THIS?

I JUST HAVE SIX ROOMS AND BATH.

ANNIE ROONEY

IS THIS ONE OF YOUR SAILOR VARNIS YOU'RE TELLING TO FRIGHTEN THE WITS OUT OF ME?

I'M SORRY TO SAY IT'S ONLY TOO TRUE—

SUNDAY, ANNIE'S NEW FATHER DASHED UP TO MAST'S HOUSE GRABBED ANNIE, PUT HER INTO A TAXI—AN' WENT SPEEDIN' AWAY WITHOUT EVEN SAYIN' GOOD-BYE—

GREAT HEAVENS! THE MAN MUST BE CRAZY! WHY DIDN'T SOMEBODY DO SOMETHING?

YOU CAN'T STOP A MAN FROM TAKIN' HIS DAUGHTER FOR A TAXI RIDE.

NO, FATHER—I AIN'T VERY COLD—I FEEL KINDA SHIVERY 'CAUSE I'M SCARED THE BAD MEN WILL KETCH US—

DICKIE DARE

IT'S GOLD! IN THE WHOLE YARD!

QUICK! COME GUARD—COVER IT!

WHEN!—JUST IN TIME!

COME, IS TIME THOU RETURNEST TO THY CELL.

BOY! IF THESE POOR DUMB SAVAGES ONLY KNEW WHAT THEY WERE WALKING ON—GOLD!

IS STRANGE ABOUT 'OUTSIDERS'—OLD OR YOUNG—THE DISCOVERY OF THE SUN-METAL PAVEMENT CAUSES A STRANGE EYE-LIGHT.

SNUFFY SMITH

I HAVE CREATED A MASTERPIECE, MR. TYLER... IT WILL SURELY BECOME THE TIE OF THE CENTURY.

LET'S HAVE A GANDER AT IT, YE SHIF'LESS SKONK!

SEE? SAKES ALIVE!! IT'S ALL COVERED WIF STAINS!! COFFEE DRIPPINGS, EGGS, TERBACKY AN' CRACKER CRUMBS.

PRECISELY, MR. TYLER!! ANY NEW DRIPPINGS WOULD BLEND RIGHT IN WITH THE DESIGN!!

IT'S HORRIBLE!! TAKE IT OUT'N' HAVE TWENTY MILLION PRINTED UP!

FATSY

I AM CALLING FOR A TELEVISION SERVICE MAN TO LOOK AT CHADDOY'S SET! DID I HEAR YOU VOICE, AN OBJECTION, AGATHA?

AHEM... OH NO! I JUST DISAPPROVE OF GOING TO ALL THAT EXPENSE!

AGATHA GOES QUICKLY TO HER UPSTAIRS ROOM.

WHEN!—HOW CLOSE I CAME TO BLUNDERING!

IS THAT YOU, MR. ORGANE? ...LISTEN CAREFULLY... I NEED YOUR ASSISTANCE AGAIN... RIGHT AWAY!

Mister Breger

AFRICAN WHITE RHINOCEROS

"Ugh! What can they POSSIBLY see in each other?"

LIFE'S DARKEST MOMENT

NO, DEAR, YOU CAN'T TELL THAT SANTA CLAUS WHAT YOU'D LIKE TO HAVE. WE'LL FIND A NICE, FAT SANTA CLAUS IN THE DEPARTMENT STORE—ONE WHO ISN'T CHEWING TOBACCO.

GRIN AN BEAR IT

"On the other hand, he's not in shape to be a civilian, either..."

Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

1. Talk jibbly
4. Secure
11. Kingly
14. Ancient school of philosophy
15. High railway
16. Generally liked
18. Toward
19. Barrier in a stream
21. Pertaining to a knot
22. Pronoun
23. Entry in an account
25. Not professional
27. Funny
28. Weep bitterly
29. Shake
31. Bony
34. Mashed fabric
35. Capable of being molded
36. Gentle strokes
38. Short for an infectious disease
39. Domesticated
40. Constellation
41. Leading strap
42. Metal
44. Alternative
45. Instructor
47. Symbol for tellurium
48. Malady
50. Ocean-going passenger steamer

DOWN

1. Forestall
2. Narrator
3. Symbol for silver
4. Faucet
5. Invaluable judge
6. Pertaining to an ancient society
7. Quiet
8. Close
9. Dark liquid
10. And' French
11. Saltwater
12. Tally
13. Acute
14. Souvenir
15. Natural abode
16. Imitates
18. Perch
19. Light bed
20. Mineral spring
21. Half melted snow
22. Confined
23. Pleasing aspect of nature
25. Locations
26. Walks wearily
27. High nest
28. Banquet
29. Incline
32. Steering wheel
33. Beverage
34. River; Spanish
46. Palmetto
48. State; abbr.
51. Not any

Solution of Yesterday's Puzzle

DOWN

1. Symbol for silver
2. Narrator
3. Faucet
4. Pertaining to an ancient society
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Air Crash Kills Lubbock Man

LUBBOCK, Dec. 21.—B. Frank Rutherford, 45, Lubbock life insurance and real estate agent, was killed and three other persons were injured when an airplane struck an electric power line pole and crashed five miles north of here late Sunday.

The injured were Mr. and Mrs. William McKay and their nine-month-old daughter of Lubbock. None were in a critical condition, although the infant's leg was broken in two places. McKay was Rutherford's nephew.

Rutherford was piloting the three-place plane. The party was returning to Lubbock from Kermit.

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TUESDAY EVENING

6:00	KBST-Sports Spotlight	8:00	KBST-Town Meeting	10:15	KRLD-Music by Candlelight
6:15	KRLD-Relax	8:15	KRLD-We The People	10:30	KRLD-You Four Doctor
6:30	WBAP-Supper Club	8:30	WBAP-Bob Hope	10:45	WBAP-News
6:45	KBST-Elmer Davis	8:45	KBST-Town Meeting	11:00	KBST-Gems for Thought
7:00	KRLD-Jack Smith	9:00	KRLD-We The People	11:15	KRLD-Wrestling Matches
7:15	WBAP-Patsy Serenade	9:15	WBAP-Bob Hope	11:30	WBAP-Dream Nocturne
7:30	KBST-Day II With Music	9:30	KBST-Easy Listening	11:45	KBST-Dance Orchestra
7:45	KRLD-Club 18	9:45	KRLD-Life With Luigi	12:00	KRLD-Wrestling Matches
8:00	WBAP-Barber Shop Harmony	10:00	WBAP-Fibber McGee	12:15	WBAP-Dream Nocturne
8:15	KBST-News	10:15	KBST-Easy Listening	12:30	KBST-Dance Orchestra
8:30	KRLD-Edward R. Murrow	10:30	KRLD-Life With Luigi	12:45	KRLD-Wrestling Matches
8:45	WBAP-This is Your Life	10:45	WBAP-Fibber McGee	1:00	WBAP-Dream Nocturne
9:00	KBST-Sports	11:00	KBST-Chamber Music	1:15	KBST-News
9:15	KRLD-Mystery Theatre	11:15	KRLD-Hit the Jackpot	1:30	KRLD-Wrestling Matches
9:30	WBAP-This is Your Life	11:30	WBAP-Big Town	1:45	WBAP-Morton Downey
9:45	KBST-News	11:45	KBST-Chamber Music	2:00	KBST-Dance Orchestra
10:00	KRLD-Mystery Theatre	12:00	KRLD-Hit the Jackpot	2:15	KRLD-Wrestling Matches
10:15	WBAP-This is Your Life	12:15	WBAP-Big Town	2:30	WBAP-Baxter Singers
10:30	KBST-Melody Parade	12:30	KBST-Serenade in Swing	2:45	KBST-Dance Orchestra
10:45	KRLD-Mystery Theatre	12:45	KRLD-Morey Amsterdam	3:00	KRLD-CBS Dance Orch.
11:00	WBAP-This is Your Life	1:00	WBAP-News	3:15	WBAP-Baxter Singers
11:15	KBST-News	1:15	KBST-Tomorrow's Headline	3:30	KBST-Dance Orchestra
11:30	KRLD-Mystery Theatre	1:30	KRLD-News	3:45	KRLD-CBS Dance Orch.
11:45	WBAP-This is Your Life	1:45	WBAP-News	4:00	WBAP-Baxter Singers

WEDNESDAY MORNING

6:00	KBST-Hilltop Time	8:00	KBST-Breakfast Club	10:00	KRLD-News
6:15	KRLD-Sherby's Almanac	8:15	KRLD-Morning News	10:15	KRLD-Artur Godfrey
6:30	WBAP-Party Edition	8:30	WBAP-Morning News	10:30	WBAP-Life Can Be Beautiful
6:45	KBST-Hilltop Time	8:45	KBST-Breakfast Club	10:45	KBST-Portraits and Melodies
7:00	KRLD-Sherby's Almanac	9:00	KRLD-Music Room	11:00	KBST-Artur Godfrey
7:15	WBAP-Party Edition	9:15	WBAP-Cedar Ridge Boys	11:15	WBAP-Road of Life
7:30	KBST-News	9:30	KBST-Breakfast Club	11:30	KBST-Ted Malone
7:45	KRLD-Mystery Theatre	9:45	KRLD-Music Room	11:45	KRLD-Grand Slam
8:00	WBAP-This is Your Life	10:00	WBAP-Cedar Ridge Boys	12:00	WBAP-Jack Marston
8:15	KBST-Melody Parade	10:15	KBST-Breakfast Club	12:15	KBST-Clayton
8:30	KRLD-Mystery Theatre	10:30	KRLD-Coffee Carnival	12:30	KRLD-Lora Lawton
8:45	WBAP-This is Your Life	10:45	WBAP-Fascinating Rhythm	12:45	WBAP-Lora Lawton
9:00	KBST-News	11:00	KBST-Me My True Story	1:00	KBST-Welcome Travelers
9:15	KRLD-Mystery Theatre	11:15	KRLD-Music Room	1:15	KRLD-Aunt Jenny
9:30	WBAP-This is Your Life	11:30	WBAP-News	1:30	WBAP-Reading is Adventure
9:45	KBST-Melody Parade	11:45	KBST-My True Story	1:45	KBST-Welcome Travelers
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12:00	KBST-Bauhaage Talking	3:00	KBST-Ladies Be Seated	4:00	KBST-Plattner Party
12:15	KRLD-Stamps Quartet	3:15	KRLD-David Harum	4:15	KRLD-Herrington Sisters
12:30	WBAP-News	3:30	WBAP-News and Markets	4:30	WBAP-Young Dr. Malone
12:45	KBST-Bing Bangs	3:45	KBST-Ladies Be Seated	4:45	KBST-Plattner Party
1:00	KRLD-News	4:00	KRLD-Hilltop House	5:00	KRLD-Musical Notebook
1:15	WBAP-Murray Cox	4:15	WBAP-Ma Perkins	5:15	WBAP-Portia Faces Life
1:30	KBST-News	4:30	KBST-Serenade For You	5:30	KBST-Plattner Party
1:45	KRLD-Lumbeon Junction	4:45	KRLD-This Party	5:45	KRLD-Sports Page
2:00	WBAP-News	5:00	WBAP-News	6:00	WBAP-Young Dr. Malone
2:15	KBST-Vocal Varieties	5:15	KBST-Second Honeymoon	6:15	KBST-Challenge of Yukon
2:30	KRLD-Rosemary	5:30	KRLD-Hunt	6:30	KRLD-Sports Page
2:45	WBAP-Double or Nothing	5:45	WBAP-Young Wife	6:45	WBAP-Young Dr. Malone
3:00	KBST-News	6:00	KBST-Second Honeymoon	7:00	KBST-Challenge of Yukon
3:15	KRLD-Quilting Light	6:15	KRLD-Hilltop House	7:15	KRLD-Sports Page
3:30	WBAP-Double or Nothing	6:30	WBAP-News	7:30	WBAP-Young Dr. Malone
3:45	KBST-Bride and Groom	6:45	KBST-News	7:45	KBST-Challenge of Yukon
4:00	KRLD-Tora Drake	7:00	KRLD-Young Wife	8:00	KRLD-Sports Page
4:15	WBAP-Today's Children	7:15	WBAP-News	8:15	WBAP-Young Dr. Malone
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National, All-America Pro Grid Loops Continue War

Senior Circuit Wants Two Clubs

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 21. (AP)—The pro football war continued today with the National Football League insisting on its own terms and the All-America Conference rejecting peace at any price.

After 12 hours of what was described as harmonious and friendly discussion yesterday, it was disclosed that all the NFL wanted were the AAC's two best teams.

Arthur (Mickey) McBride, owner of the AAC Champion Cleveland Browns—talking straight from the shoulder—said the NFL offered to take his franchise and the San Francisco Forty-Niners into a 12-team league.

But the AAC representatives had their own ideas of how to solve the three-year grid war that has forced many clubs in both leagues to lose money.

McBride and Ben Lindheimer, owner of the AAC Los Angeles Rams, told reporters after last night's unprecedented get-together of the two leagues, that they proposed two circuits composed of 14 teams.

The AAC group would like to add their San Francisco, Cleveland, Los Angeles and Baltimore franchises to the present 10-team NFL, dividing the clubs into seven team American and National loops.

Under the AAC plan, owners of the remaining teams in their league would be given an opportunity to merge or buy into going franchises. Details of how this would be done were not announced.

NFL Commissioner Bert Bell and his club owners would have none of this.

They were adamant in their demand for Cleveland and San Francisco and nothing else.

Baltimore and Los Angeles in the All America League were the particular bones of contention.

George Preston Marshall, owner of the NFL Washington Redskins was reported very cold on admitting Baltimore—only 60 miles away from his money making Redskins.

"What do we want Baltimore for? We have enough of our own headaches without adding any more," Marshall said.

To this, Lindheimer countered, "Baltimore is the sixth ranking team in all professional football as far as income is concerned."

NFL Publicist Joseph Labrum read a formal joint statement which said:

Representatives of the National Football League and All America Conference concluded a meeting in Philadelphia tonight (Monday).

"Efforts by both sides to formulate a mutually satisfactory agreement were not consummated.

"The committee terminated the meeting with the expectation that future meetings might provide some formula for a common understanding between both leagues."

Meanwhile, the NFL and AAC went ahead with their draft plans today, 24 hours behind schedule. The NFL draft session was in Philadelphia and the AAC's in Cleveland.

Scotty May Go To Eagles

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 21. (AP)—National Football League coaches gathered at the Bellevue-Stratford Hotel today for their annual player draft.

Many of the better players already have been spoken for. The Philadelphia Eagles have drafted rights to Chuck Bednarik, Penn's All-America center, and Clyde (Smackover) Scott, University of Arkansas scabbard, as well as Alex Sarkisian, Northwestern center.

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LOOKING 'EM OVER

With TOMMY HART

Howard County Junior college's basketball Jayhawks stumbled in the first round of the Ranger Invitational tournament last weekend but two of the Big Springers—Capt. Delmar Turner and Bill Fletcher—impressed the coaches and judges enough to rate the all tournament squad.

Co-Captain Don Clark came close to making the eight-man contingent. He received the same number of votes as Leon Parrish of Cisco JC but the latter was chosen because the Ciscoans had advanced into the finals and did not have another man on the spangled aggregation.

Besides Turner, Fletcher and Parrish, those making the squad were Leon Burch, and D. W. Hawkins, both of Wayland, Alberto Renta, and Ray Burroughs, both of Lon Morris, and Dave Oliver, Clinton.

According to reports, Turner was by far the most impressive floor man in the show. The boy is good and getting better.

Incidentally, Lon Morris won the tournament by upsetting Wayland in the semi-finals and then subduing Cisco in the title game. Lon Morris hurled Wayland, 65-64, but not before Leon Burch, the fellow who beat HJCJC in the first round, had fouled out in the third quarter.

Eddie Houser, the former Big Spring high school basketball star in home from Texas A&M and looking fit as the proverbial fiddle, says he's 'making the squad' in Aggieland.

Jim Busby, the former Texas Christian university baseball star, steps up to Class A Muskegon (Mich.) next spring. He's the property of the Chicago White Sox, was with Waterloo last year.

SPORTS PARK STANDS GOOD CHANCE OF BEING MOVED

It's a fairly good bet that the Sweetwater Sports' baseball park, which is to be built by the city, will be moved from the site of the present plant to what was once the racing grounds in Newman park.

In any case, the stadium will undergo something like \$30,000 in improvements. About 1,680 permanent seats will be put down. The fences will conform with specifications set down by the National association. There'll be dressing rooms for both teams, too.

One local party who was pulling for the Denison Yellow Jackets in their football game with Amarillo last weekend was Jack Y. Smith of Our Town. Les coached athletics at Hardin-Simmons university at the time Jack was a player there.

Virgil Richardson, who played first base for the Lubbock Hubbers of the WT-NM baseball league, may wind up as skipper of the Lamesa Lobos. So says Joe Kelly of the Lubbock Avalanche-Journal.

Virgil was suspended during the 1928 playoffs for reasons that were never made public.

ODDS SHIFTING ON ORANGE BOWL GAME

Texas university will be the fourth Southwest Conference football eleven to have appeared in the Orange Bowl at Miami.

Texas Christian lost there in 1942 to Georgia, 40-26. LSU clipped Texas A & M in the classic two years later, 19-14. Rice Institute proved the master of Tennessee in '47, 8-0.

Two of the three contests in which league teams have appeared were lulu. The one which Rice won was called dull by some observers but only because Jesse Neely elected to play conservatively after jumping into an early lead.

The odds on this year's outing, by the way, are slowly shifting. It would not be surprising if TU should enter the game as favorite, even though Georgia was listed as a 6 1/2-point choice at one time. The odd-makers are coming to realize that the Steers own one of the best lines in the country.

Our Town's Peppy Blount, who will see action in the Miami game, intends to renew acquaintances with several of the Big Spring baseball Braves who are wintering in Havana. He'll make a flying trip over there before the game along with other members of the Longhorn team.

LONGHORNS INVADE ANDREWS TONIGHT

There's no rest for the ambitious, to paraphrase an old saying.

The Big Spring high school basketball Steers take to the road tonight, meeting the Andrews Mustangs in a warmup test for the Brownwood tournament, which comes just five days after Christmas.

It'll be the last Chas. Simmons game for the (Photo by Hayes) Herd until the holiday has passed but not the last practice. The Steers will tune their game most every day until time to depart for Brown county.

Andrews will provide a tough hurdle for the Longhorns, no doubt. The Ponies split even with a good Midland outfit. They also lost a 43-26 decision to Lubbock's Westerners. Lubbock has one of the top clubs in West Texas.

The Andrews starting lineup will probably be composed of Hamilton, Summerall, Corley, Graham, and Walker. Hamilton was the top scorer against Lubbock with 12 points and is the boy the Longhorns will have to keep their collective eye on tonight.

One lad Coach Malaise has been using quite a bit in recent games is Charles Simmons.

Simmons rarely shoots—he's made but nine points this season—but he's a good defensive player and provides capable relief for the regulars.

Eagles Host Kats

Only activity in District 21B basketball circles occurs in Courtney tonight where G. W. Kemmer's resident Eagles take on the Garden City Beakats at 8 o'clock.

The home club is favored slightly to win.

Texas Elevens In 8 Football Tilts Next Week

DALLAS, Dec. 21. (AP)—Texas, which already has had teams in six bowl games and hasn't lost one yet, is experiencing a lull along the post-season front this week.

Next week, however, eight bowl battles will be crowded into four days and Texas think they have a very good chance of ending up unbeaten for the season.

Texas, in the first place, claims to be the bowlngest state in the nation. It already has had five bowl games inside its borders and will have four more.

The first bowl game of the year was Dec. 10 when Ouachita of Arkansas beat Southeastern of Oklahoma 7-0 in the Texoma Bowl at Denison. Dec. 11 Hardin-Simmons battled College of the Pacific to a 35-35 tie in the Grape Bowl at Lodi, Calif.

Kilgore Junior College licked Hutchinson, Kan., 19-7 in the Texas Rose Bowl at Tyler, and Southwestern University edged University of Corpus Christi 7-0 in the Fish Bowl at Corpus Christi.

Dec. 16, Wharton Junior College whipped Henderson Junior College 49-0 in the Dime Bowl at Conroe. Dec. 17 Lamar of Beaumont downed Hinds of Mississippi 21-0 in a clash of junior colleges featuring the Spindletop Bowl at Beaumont.

Dec. 18, Hardin-Simmons licked Ouachita 40-12 in the Shrine Bowl at Little Rock, Ark.

Dec. 29, Wharton and Paris Junior College meet in the Oleander Bowl at Galveston and Dec. 30 Hardin-Simmons plays its third bowl game of the year, clashing with Wichita in the Camellia Bowl at Lafayette, La.

Jan. 1 has this bowl schedule for Texas teams: Cotton Bowl at Dallas—Southern Methodist vs Oregon, Orange Bowl at Miami, Fla.—Texas vs Georgia, Sun Bowl at El Paso—Texas Mines vs West Virginia, Dixie Bowl at Birmingham, Ala.—Baylor vs Wake Forest, Tangerine Bowl at Orlando, Fla.—Sul Ross State vs Murray State, Ky., Prairie View Negro Bowl at Houston—Prairie View vs Wilberforce State of Xenia, O.

Olson To Risk Tilt At AC Next Monday

Milt Olson, Junior Heavyweight wrestling champion of Texas, has decided to put his title (and his championship belt) on the line here next week.

Olson made an announcement to that effect last night after he had lost a questionable decision to Dory Funk of Hammond, Ind., at the Big Spring Athletic club.

A delighted Promoter Pat O'Dowdy—delighted over the prospect of a title test, that is—said the belt would be placed on display here this week.

Olson's opposition, of course, will be furnished by Funk, who socked Referee Al Getz across the chops to stun that individual momentarily and then pinned Olson just as Al-oystus was coming out of the ether.

In the mean time, however, the champ had downed Funk, or so a lot of the sporting gentry at the ring side claimed. Getz was willing to admit he might have raised the hand of the wrong man in token of victory but said he would not change his decision.

His attitude seemed to incense Olson, who thereupon proffered to risk his belt in return for another try at the Hoosier.

In the opening test, Eddie Gideon of Springfield, Mo., showed a return to winning form by dropping Tiger Billy McEuln in short order. McEuln was filling in for Monte LaDue, who was 'snowed in' up north and couldn't make connections.

Station KRLD Towers Fall Near Garland

DALLAS, Dec. 21. (AP)—radio Station KRLD's two 478 foot towers toppled over early today, causing the 50,000 watt station to suspend its programs.

Manager Clyde Rembert said "we have no idea" why the towers collapsed.

They were constructed in recent years and were located near Garland, 15 miles east of Dallas. They fell to the ground while KRLD was off the air.

A temporary antenna was being rigged up and KRLD was expected to be back on the air within a few hours.

Solons May Consider Texas Auto Drivers' Financial Law

AUSTIN, Dec. 21. (AP)—The next legislature "might well give thought" to enactment of a financial responsibility law, or compulsory liability insurance, for Texas automobile drivers, State Auditor C. H. Cavness suggested yesterday.

In an audit report of the Texas Highway Department's Motor Vehicle Division, Cavness noted that states now have "protective statutes aiming at controlling or excluding from the highways reckless and financially irresponsible motorists."

Sterling Improves

FORT WORTH, Dec. 21. (AP)—Former Gov. Ross Sterling, hospitalized here since Sept. 21 with a heart ailment and complications, was reported in "good" condition by hospital attendants today.

Brecheen Boasts Best ERA Record

NEW YORK, Dec. 21. (AP)—Harry (The Cat) Brecheen, only lefthander in history to win three games in one World Series, posted the best earned run mark among National League pitchers in the 1948 season.

The stylish lefthander of the St. Louis Cardinals allowed 58 earned runs in 233 innings for a 2.24 mark, tops among moundmen who pitched ten or more complete games, according to final official averages released today.

Brecheen, who won three games for the Cards against the Boston Red Sox in the 1946 World Series, also led the league in shutouts with seven and in strikeouts with 149.

GARNER OUT

Weary Sandies Aim For Upset On Saturday

AMARILLO, Dec. 21. (AP)—A sad bunch of weary youngsters took the field yesterday as the Amarillo High School Sandies began practice for Saturday's state Class AA football title game.

Backers of the Sandies give them "an inspirational chance" against the Waco Tigers on Christmas Day.

Missing from their lineup is the captain and sparkplug, James Garner. The outstanding left end has a knee injury that will keep him out of the game.

Head Coach Howard Lynch worked Tommy Curtis and Clyde Israel in the Sandies' post. Both have seen little action this season.

The Sandies leave Amarillo by bus Friday morning and will work out in Texas Christian University Stadium that afternoon.

WACO, Dec. 21. (AP)—The Waco High School football squad began preparations yesterday for its title bout Saturday with the Amarillo Sandies for the state Class AA championship crown.

Coach Carl Price kept the Tigers out for only 35 minutes with a little offensive running and passing. Price said his crew is in good physical condition.

The Tigers will go to Fort Worth by chartered bus Saturday morning.

NEW BRAUNFELS, Dec. 21. (AP)—Football fans are expected to temporarily evacuate this 102-year-old community when they follow the New Braunfels Unicorns to Odessa Saturday.

The Unicorns tangle Christmas Day with the Monahans Lobos for the first state Class A football title.

All of Coach Weidon Bynum's gridsters came through their semifinals game with Falfurrias in good shape. Rock Pantermuehl pulled a leg muscle but is expected to be in the playoff lineup.

Bynum and the team will leave here Thursday morning for the 359-mile trip to Odessa. They will stop in San Angelo overnight and arrive in Odessa after lunch Friday.

MONAHANS, Dec. 21. (AP)—Skull practice and calisthenics started the Monahans Lobos off yesterday on their training for Saturday's Class A state championship game with New Braunfels.

However, four Lobo stalwarts did not suit out. The 145-pound sparkplug, Waldo Young, is badly bruised and suffered a knee injury in the New London game last week. He will not take part in any hard scrimmage this week, Coach F. O. Scroggins said. Ray Cathey, Welton Boggus and Alton Linne are bothered with old injuries.

The rest of the team is in good shape.

The Lobos leave Friday about 10 a.m. for Odessa. At least 5,000 Monahans are expected to follow them.

Louis Heads Home After Exhibition

LEWISTON, Me., Dec. 21. (AP)—Joe Louis today headed for Detroit and Christmas with his two youngsters.

The Brown Bomber wound up his 1948 barnstorming tour last night with a brief demonstration to 3,500 Lewiston fans of why he still is the world's heavyweight champ.

In his familiar, shuffling style Joe outpunched and outboxed Willie James of Boston in four fast exhibition rounds.

Of the 99 players in the National Hockey League this season, 91 were born in Canada. Thirty-four of them were born in the province of Ontario, 12 in Saskatchewan, 19 in Manitoba, 12 in Quebec and six in Alberta.

SMU REPORTS INJURIES

Oregon Webfoots In Dallas For Cotton Bowl Contest

DALLAS, Dec. 21. (AP)—The Cotton Bowl picture was complete today—Oregon was in Dallas working across town from Southern Methodist for their Jan. 1 football date.

The Webfoots, 37 strong, arrived last night from Eugene, Ore., in a chartered plane to be greeted by Dallas and Cotton Bowl notables.

The squad was whisked to its hotel for dinner then had a brief workout under the lights at the high school field.

The Webfoots, 37 strong, arrived business as they started two-day practice sessions this morning.

Coach Jim Aiken called for a scrimmage the first crack out of the box.

Aiken said his squad was in excellent condition and ready for a wide-open game with the pass-minded Methodists in the Cotton Bowl battle.

Southern Methodist, which also has been doing plenty of rough work, reported two members of the squad on the injury list. One of them, Fred Goodwin, regular center, has a knee hurt that may keep him out of the Jan. 1 game.

He suffered the injury taking starts. John Milam, pass-catching wingman, has an injured elbow received in scrimmage but is expected to be all right by Cotton Bowl time.

Aiken said he did not think the climate would have any effect on his boys. "We often play in Los Angeles which is about like Dallas," he pointed out. "The reason we came here so early was to get

thoroughly acclimated. It will be warmer here than in Oregon."

There are three Negroes on the Oregon squad. They are staying in Negro homes while in Dallas. A number of Negro newspapermen and photographers were at the plane last night to greet them.

It will not be the first time for Negroes to play college football in Texas against white teams. Last Jan. 1 Penn State had some Negroes on its squad when it met Southern Methodist in the Cotton Bowl. A Negro also played in the Texas Rose Bowl at Tyler last year.

Leo Harris, director of athletics at the University of Oregon, and assistant coaches Richard Miller, Frank Zazula, Robert Sullivan and William Bowerman, and Richard Reed, president of the Oregon Club, were in the party.

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Lack Of Back Door Necessity To Living In The Big City

By JACK O'BRIAN
 NEW YORK (AP) — It suddenly dawned on me the other dawn as I was putting the key into my East Side apartment's patented lock, that I don't own a back door!

New York living is like that. Oh, some folks in the big apartments and some in the old fashioned brownstones have both back and front doors. But most folks I know live in two, three, four room flats which have only one door. But, as I harked back to the First Ward in Buffalo, I remembered I was always strictly a two-door citizen.

On O'Connell Avenue in Buffalo, the back door was the thing. The front door was there, but it was always locked except when my Aunt Laura was visiting us. It was too much bother to lock and unlock the front door when you could pile out the back at full gallop on the way to school. Even when I was growing up, the back door was the rule.

Despite the disuse of the front doors in our neighborhood, they were important, if for nothing else, as a mark of comparative distinction. My mother never tired of the story about a friend of her's whose family had scraped together enough cash to buy a little frame bungalow. But it had neither a front veranda nor front steps. There was a front door, although the budget didn't call for a set of stairs until a year or two later. But no one reckoned with romance.

The daughter of the stepless establishment got herself a new boy friend. The absence of a set of front steps worked upon the young lady's mind in much the same fashion as proper young things have horrible nightmares in which they wander down Main Street in their birthday duds. She appealed to my mother, whose family was the owner of a set of front steps. My mother said sure, go ahead and borrow them for tonight, maybe next time he comes you'll have one of your own.

The first date went off fine. The fellow asked could he call back next week for another. Sure thing, said stepless Juliet. But she made the unfortunate mistake of mean-while picking a pretty argument with my mom. When the day for the second date arrived, my mom was adamant. Neither a step-borrower nor a step-lender be, my mom huffily proclaimed. The fellow called that once and never came back.

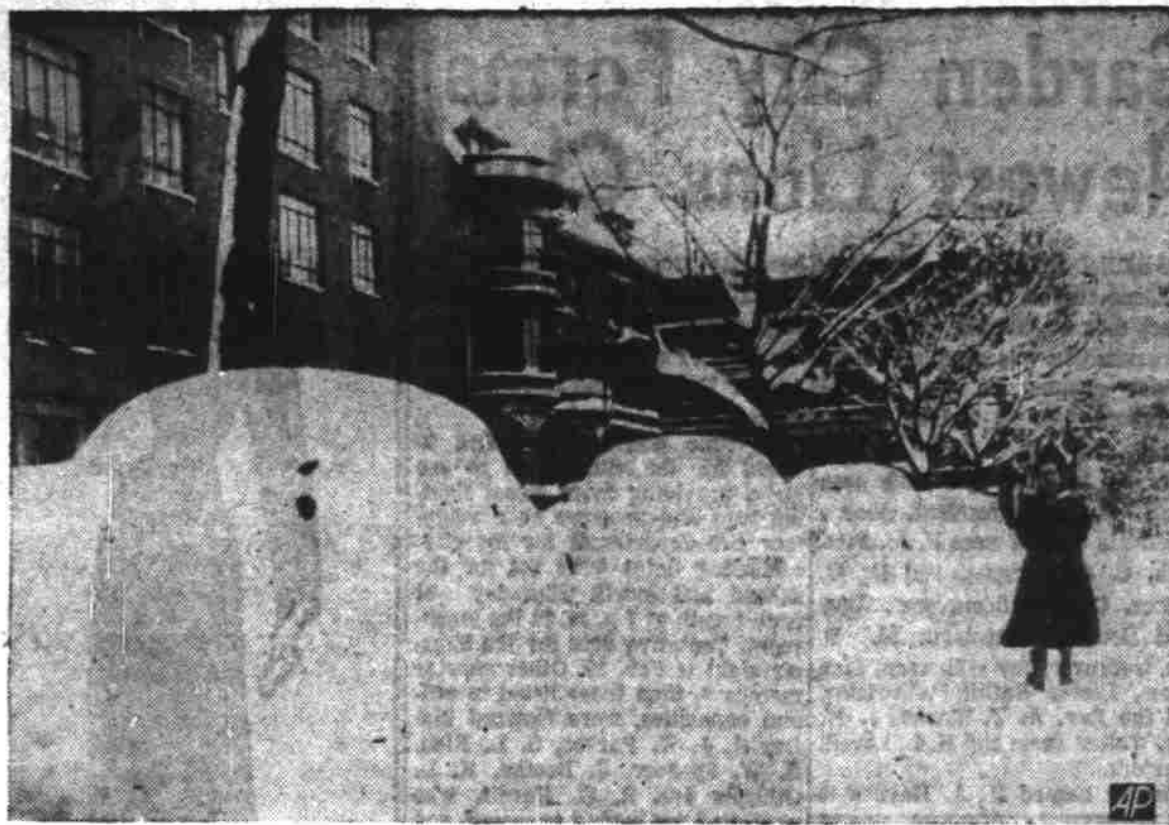
Touring the town... Dropped by eafe star Kay Thompson's fashionable flat in the Hampshire House for a midnight party to find the place awash with stars, Broadway columnists and the Williams Brothers, Kay's partners... The gab is good, the fun constant and the gang hangs on until the pleasant

end.
 To indulge in a little name-dropping, Henry Fonda was having a gay good time and the most delighted lass in New York was Mary McCarty, brand new star of "Small Wonder," who was meeting Ethel Merman for the first time. Mary assured the talented Ethel that she had wanted to meet her more than any other person in New York... Seems critics have been comparing Mary to the wonderful Ethel for years. Very sincere little scene as Mary informed Ethel of her admiration and the Merm congratulated Mary on her great notices in the dashing little revue. Even Winchell, who says he hates parties, stuck at this one until dawn's early light.

After rubbing elbows with Kay Thompson, this time at Le Directoire, the pretty pub Kay and her Williams Brothers put on the fashionable entertainment map last season. This time Kay was in the audience, at the ringside table

next to mine, and instead of being applauded was raising blisters on her own palms at the uninhibited antics of one Abe Burrows, long a parlor wit of Hollywood and Park Avenue parties, who'd turned to the saloons to trade on his vaunted comicality. Abe is even funnier than he used to be at parties, and he now has been established without amateurish ado as one of the best buffoons in the business. His style is literate and his subjects are big, overstuffed balloons, aching for years to be punctured, and the resultant laughter and applause was deafening.

About three years ago, Abe, poor guy, was down to his last \$1,000 a week as a radio writer, after years as top scribbler on the Duffy's Tavern network show... He'd busted loose from that profitable dizziness to try a show of his own, which laid a large egg, and at that time was working at several things including the Danny Kaye radio show.



BROOKLYN'S MORNING AFTER—A woman walks along Clinton Avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y., passing a line of snow-covered parked automobiles, immobilized along with other means of surface transportation by an 18-inch snowfall. The middle of the street was the only passable roadway for her enroute to the subway station. (AP Wirephoto).

ACA Leaders Will Gather January 5

County administrative officers and field performance men will gather at the Settles hotel for a District Seven ACA meeting Jan. 5 and 6 for the purpose of discussing the 1949 performance.

M. Weaver will represent the local office.

Sam F. Buchanan and Herbert O. Phillips have been named chairman of the "A" and "B" Community committees, respectively, results of the recent election showed.

Other "A" Committee officers selected were:

Alvin E. Walker, vice-chairman; Tom C. Spencer, regular member of committee; R. E. Martin, first alternate member; and O. R. Crow, second alternate member.

Names as "B" committee officers were:

Pendry E. Little, vice-chairman; B. M. Newton, regular member; Paul Adams, first alternate member; Edgar Phillips, second alternate member.

The following county committee-men for 1949 were named by a committee composed of E. W. Lomax and LeRoy Echols:

Willis Winters, chairman; Roy D. Anderson, vice chairman; Ross Hill, regular member; Sam F. Buchanan, first alternate; Donald Lay, second alternate.

The election was conducted by the local ACA office.

Seal Drive Is Disappointing

The Howard County Tuberculosis Association's Christmas seal campaign has hit a disappointing note at the outset of the holiday week, officials reported this morning.

Receipts from the current drive have dropped almost \$400 behind totals that were reached during the corresponding period of last year. A tabulation this morning listed receipts at \$1,672.12, as compared to \$2,064.10 on the same day of 1947.

Association officials today were pessimistic over chances of reaching the 1948 goal unless response is exceptionally heavy during the next few days. The campaign goal has been set at \$3,500, estimated amount that will be required to finance the association's tuberculosis control work in the county during 1949.

Rival Loops Seek Walker In Drafting

CLEVELAND, Dec. 21 (AP)—Doak Walker of Southern Methodist was the No. 1 pick of the Cleveland Browns today as coaches of the All-America conference conducted their annual secret draft of college talent.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 21 (AP)—The Boston Yanks drafted Doak Walker of Southern Methodist and the Detroit Lions picked Johnny Rauch of Georgia today when they swapped rights to the stars in the first big deal of the National football league draft session.

A Lion spokesman said the club already had two good passers in Clyde LeForce and Fred Enke and needed a runner like Walker.

The Green Bay Packers announced the drafting of Stan Heath, best college passer in the nation in 1948. The selection of Heath, Walker and Rauch actually was made by the clubs involved at a Nov. 25 secret NFL meeting in Pittsburgh. Today's word made it official.

The Detroit Lions traded Guard Dick Stovall to the Washington Redskins for draft rights to Joe Colone. Penn State fullback and Jack Kurkowski, Detroit university back.

Tollett Given ABClub Award

R. L. Tollett was named as honorary member of ABClub at the chicken barbecue and dinner conducted jointly with the XYZ auxiliary at the Country club Monday evening.

Tollett is the third person to receive this honor and presentation was made by Walker Bailey. Roy Reeder gave a short commendation to Tollett on his civic leadership.

Lee Harris, past president, acted as master of ceremonies and presented Christmas gifts to the club sweethearts, Helen Duley and Leatrice Ross.

Doug Orme and Charles Staggs made brief comments. Arnold Marshall sang various Christmas selections, accompanied by Helen Duley. Miss Duley and Mrs. Bill Griese gave an organ and piano duet.

Munson Compton sang a solo, accompanied by his guitar. Harry Echols played a varied arrangement on the piano and a square dance exhibit was presented, featuring Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Greer, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Staggs and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Thompson.

The Christmas motif was used in the decorations.

Games and dancing comprised the entertainment.

Approximately 120 persons attended.

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Rodeo Association Elect Officers

Election of directors was accomplished at the annual stockholders meeting of the Big Spring Rodeo association Monday evening at the Settles.

Named to the board were Tom Good, M. M. Edwards, Ira Driver, Toots Mansfield, Harry Lees, E. T. O'Daniel and Charles Creighton.

The board set 3 p. m. Thursday at the office of Ira Driver in the Big Spring National Farm Loan association as the time and place for a meeting to select officers and to attend to other business for the association.

Dictators Denounce

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21 (AP)—The State Department today denounced the use of force in effecting political changes in Latin America as "deplorable" and inconsistent with the ideals of the American Republics.

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MARKETS

NEW YORK, Dec. 21 (AP)—The stock market found a stable price setting today. Trading was less active than in the previous session. Stability resulted as much from slim selling pressure as from mild demand. Holiday influences were relatively apparent. Most traders took it easy while they waited hopefully for signs of an anticipated year-end rally.

NEW YORK, Dec. 21 (AP)—Cotton futures at noon were unchanged to 25 cents a bale higher than the previous close. March 22, 11, May 21.91 and July 30.95.

FORT WORTH, Dec. 21 (AP)—Cattle 1.00; calves 70c steady to 75c common to medium steers, yearlings and heifers 17.00-24.00; butcher and beef cows 17.00-22.00; canner and cullers 11.00-17.00; hogs 15.00-20.50; good and choice fat calves 22.00-28.00; common to medium calves 16.00-21.00.

Hogs 90c; mostly steady; top 21.00 paid for good and choice 190-lb. averages; good and choice 150-185 lb. 19.00-20.75; sows 15.00-17.50; pigs 12.00-18.00; few heavy pigs to 18.00.

Sheep 1.00; slaughter lambs about steady; nothing else offered; medium and a few good slaughter lambs 21.00; medium grade short lambs and woolled lambs mixed to 20.50.

WEATHER

BIG SPRING AND VICINITY: Partly cloudy this afternoon, tonight and Wednesday. Cooler tonight and Wednesday. High today 70, low tonight 48, high tomorrow 60.

Highest temperature this date, 78 in 1921; lowest this date, 10 in 1924; max. mean rainfall this date, .74 in 1926.

EAST TEXAS: Partly cloudy this afternoon, tonight and Wednesday. Cooler tonight and Wednesday. Moderate southerly winds on coast becoming northwest tonight.

WEST TEXAS: Partly cloudy this afternoon, tonight and Wednesday. Cooler in Pecos, South Plains and east of the Pecos Valley tonight and Wednesday.



ACTOR SCOTTY BECKETT JAILED—Screen Actor Scotty Beckett, who played the youthful Al in "The Jolson Story," scuffles with police as he was jailed in Hollywood on suspicion of drunk driving. The 19-year-old screen veteran was arrested after his convertible collided with another car. Police are Officer C. J. Tansey (left) and Jailer J. Gurinsky. (AP Wirephoto).

Carbon Black Taxes Recovered

AUSTIN, Dec. 21 (AP)—Over \$60,000 in carbon black production taxes has been recovered by the state, Atty. Gen. Price Daniel said yesterday.

Judgments against the Continental Carbon Co., Crown Carbon Co. and Witco Carbon Co. were awarded in the 126th District court.

The court upheld the state's contention that the state tax is collectible on the sales price of carbon black without regard to commissions or agent fees. The companies contended that no tax was due on the percentage of the sales price paid to the agent.

Recovered taxes and interest amounted to \$43,895 and \$4,248 from Continental, \$5,187 and \$549 from Crown and \$6,732 and \$929 from Witco.

The state was represented by Asst. Atty. Gen. W. V. Geppert in all three cases.

Typhus Control Leader Is Visitor

V. A. Cross, former typhus control director in Big Spring who is now regional supervisor for that type of work with the U. S. Public Health Service, was a visitor at the city-county health unit offices here today.

Cross, who makes headquarters in Lubbock, supervises typhus control work in an area that includes 75 counties. The program he established and put into operation in Big Spring produced results unequalled in the United States. Typhus fever cases here dropped from 128 in 1945 to only one in 1946, with no cases reported in 1947 or 1948.

Thomas Will Attend L. E. White Funeral

Eugene Thomas left today for Dallas to attend the funeral of L. E. White, branch manager for the southwestern division of the Royal Typewriter company.

White, who was a frequent visitor to this city, died Monday in Dallas after a short illness. Rites will be held Wednesday morning in Dallas.

DWI Suspect Is Switched To County

Guy Rose, picked up by city policemen Monday on a charge of driving while under the influence of intoxicants (second offense) has been transferred to the custody of the county and lodged in the county jail.

Victor Sirls and J. C. Halkins, guests of the county over the weekend, were released Monday after paying fines and justice court costs of \$18 on drunkenness charges.

Pig Forecast Up

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21 (AP)—The Agriculture Department today forecast that next spring's pig crop will be 10 per cent larger than the 1948 spring crop.

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Garden City Forms Newest Lions Club

GARDEN CITY, Dec. 21—Newest Lions club in Texas today is a robust unit at Garden City.

Organization was completed here Monday evening at the school lunchroom with 28 charter members on the roll.

Named to head the club was W. E. Chaney, president. Vice-presidents elected were H. M. Fitzhugh, C. G. Parsons, and D. W. Parker. Other officers were Bernard Houston, secretary; M. F. Cox, treasurer, Joy Wilkerson, Liontamer, Lester Ratliff, talltewriter, and the Rev. A. T. Mason, J. W. Cox, Walter Teele and H. L. Lovell, directors.

Chaney named H. A. Haynes to

First Howard Draffees Taken

Inductees under the first call of the Selective Service board for Mitchell, Howard and Martin counties have been accepted and assigned, it was announced today.

At the same time, the local board announced a fifth pre-induction call for four men. This means that those summoned will be given preliminary physicals, etc.

Called on Dec. 14 and now announced as accepted and assigned to Camp Chaffee, Ark. were Jimmy Don Kirby, Big Spring, and Wincil Price Morris, Colorado City. They are 25-year olds with no prior military service.

Board officials commented on the dwindling number of men included in pre-induction calls. This was due, it was explained, to the high number of volunteers entering the Army from this immediate district.

The board is preparing to move to its third home since it was established with revival of Selective Service. After the first of the year offices will be moved from the Texas Employment Commission space in the 200 block of W. 3rd to the Frazer building, corner of Main and Third.

Seven RAF Fliers Killed In Crash

MANCHESTER, Eng., Dec. 21.—Seven Royal Air Force men were killed early today when their Lancaster Bomber crashed into a 1,800-foot mountain near here. The plane burned after the crash.

The bodies of the men were brought down from the hills this morning by an R.A.F. rescue team that climbed four miles through cold and rain to reach the crash scene.

The accident occurred only eight miles from the spot where 13 Americans were killed in a B-29 Superfortress crash Nov. 3.

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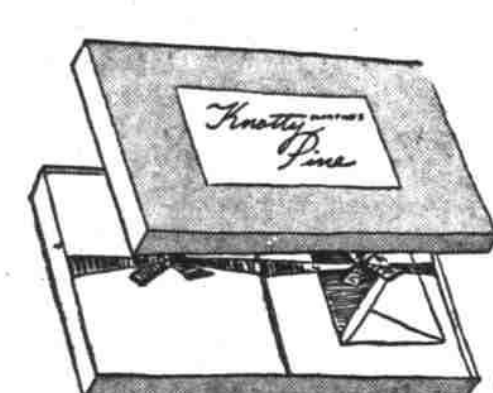
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Nylon panties by Munsingwear and Textron. Black, white or tearose 1.50 to 2.95

BETTER CHECK ATTIC

Antique Records Bring Big Prices

By CYNTHIA LOWRY

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—If you find a good copy of a certain single-sided George M. Cohan record in your attic, you're \$750 richer. At least, that's what antique record collector Joe Franklin says he will pay for a little number entitled, "Hay! There! May! There!"

Franklin, who is a slip of a lad and aged 22, has an enormous collection—more than 25,000 old records. He started collecting only nine years ago. At the moment, the thing that started as a kid's hobby is paying off at a rate of about \$1,000 a week in the form of two hour-long shows a day on New York Station WMCA.

George M. Cohan himself started Joe on the road of record collecting, at a time when there weren't any people interested in the business. Thirteen-year-old Joe picked up an acquaintance with Cohan one day when the dean show business was feeding some Central Park pigeons. Before they parted that day Cohan had dug into a closet and found an old number—"Life's A Funny Proposition After All"—he'd recorded in the early 1900s. And he autographed it in white shoe polish across its label.

"The shoe polish is starting to flake off," said Joe, "but it's my most treasured record. I've been offered \$1,000 for it." Cohan told him he'd made seven records, and little Joe started scavenging junk and antique shops to try to find them.

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